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8:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m. **Robinson Players Presents Side Effects in 'This Bard's for You'**— A comedic look at Shakespeare's greatest works. Chase Lounge, \$1.

Saturday

9:00 p.m. **Coffeehouse for the Rain Forest** — Students and staff will entertain the crowd with acoustic music. Donations accepted to benefit rain forest preservation. Skelton Lounge.

10:00 p.m. - 2:00 a.m. **Afro-Am Sponsors Triad** — One of the premiere parties of the year. This year's Triad features Motown, Reggae, and House music as well as live comedy upstairs. The cost is \$6. Dress to impress.

Sunday

7:00 p.m. **Womyn's Awareness Lecture** — Mary Allen from the Maine chapter of the National Organization for Women will speak on "Feminist is not a dirty word." A video presentation of the March on Washington last spring will be shown along with the speech. Hirasawa Lounge.

Upcoming Events

Abortion Rights March Sponsored by Womyn's Awareness -- A regional rally will be held in Kennebunk on November 12th at Sunrise. For more information regarding the event contact Womyn's Awareness.



Pirates, skeletons and ghouls stalk the Little Brother/Little Sister Halloween party on Saturday. Margie Byrd photo.

Colby Changes Alcohol Policy

by Amy Erickson

Colby College has recently revised its alcohol policy, but the new policy is more of a party policy than an alcohol policy.

Concerns about the college's liability and parental complaints prompted the new policy which changes both all-cam-

pus and residence hall partying and enforces a \$25 fine for sneaking into parties.

The new policy increases security at "party access points," ensures that all kegs are untapped one hour before the end of a party, and requires that all participants over 21 wear colored wrist-

bands.

The new policy will not be accompanied by a security crackdown, but the changes worry Colby's students. They are concerned that the new enforcement regulations are too strict even though no changes were made in the actual policy concerning the consumption of alcohol.

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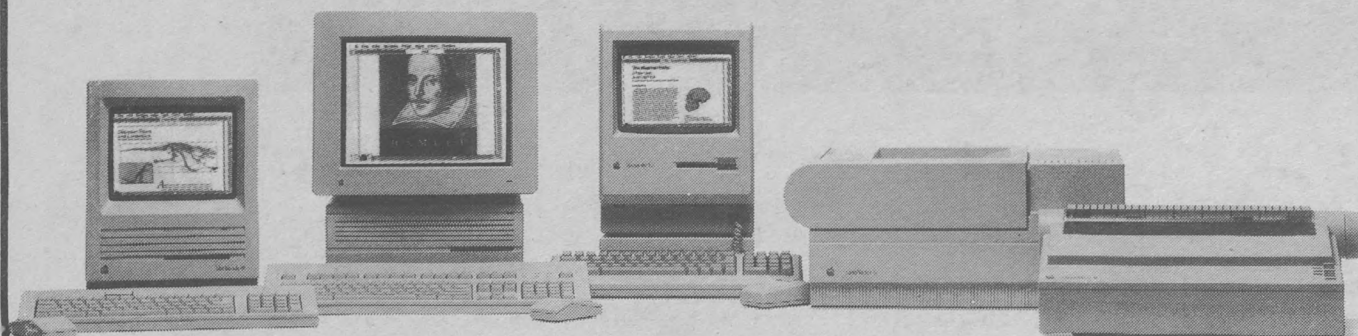
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Noted Feminist Activist Speaks at Bates

Tanya Miksys

Ellie Smeal, the Founder and President of the Fund for the Feminist Majority, addressed the Bates Community on "The Narrowing of Women's Right To Abortion" Wednesday, November 1, in the Chapel.

Smeal, a former president of the National Organization for Women (NOW), currently serves as NOW's National Advisory Chair. She was also one of the first to observe and note the importance of the gender gap (the difference in voting behavior between men and women).

Smeal has consistently pushed women to attempt to obtain leadership positions in the state and national governments. She is an active feminist who strongly supports and fights for legalized abortion.

"There is no excuse for ignorance any longer," Smeal told the crowd. She then began to discuss the role of abortion all over the world.

Smeal told the crowd that in sub-Saharan Africa, about four times as many women die of botched abortions every year as did American soldiers through seven years of Vietnam, or by numbers, 200,000 of these women die each year. In developing countries, the women can not afford or even get access to other means of birth control. To these women "anything is better than watching another child starve to death."

For a place like Africa there is no birth control. . . . Today only 10% of African women have birth control," Smeal said.

"Anything is better than watching another child starve to death."-Ellie Smeal

The typical annual income of an African woman is only \$150. This is not enough money to buy birth control, most of which is very costly. Doctors are also scarce and costly.

In Brazil the situation is not much better. Brazil has half of the population of the United States, but twice the abortion rate. Abortion is illegal in Brazil



Noted abortion rights activist Ellie Smeal gives rousing speech in the chapel on Wednesday. Margie Byrd photo.

which proves that making abortion illegal does not reduce its occurrence.

Smeal used such examples to illustrate the neglect the U.S. exhibits when they refuse to offer aid in the form of abortions. In Latin America and South America, she said, botched abortion is

the leading cause of death among women.

In the Netherlands the situation is reversed. Birth control is free and accessible and consequently the abortion rate is lower.

The United States also has a lower

than average abortion rate although "it is estimated that one out of every two women will have an abortion."

Family planning aid has been consistently been cut in the United States at both the state and federal level. The governor of California just recently cut back

"It is estimated that one out of every two women will have an abortion."-Ellie Smeal

family planning aid by two thirds. "We are now down to thirteen states providing any form of medicated funding for abortions."

Smeal explained how the opposition works to cut funding for abortions and family planning, as did the Webster case this past summer.

In this case, a law was passed in which no publicly funded hospital could perform an abortion. Even a private hospital on publicly leased land is susceptible. The women cut off in this situation, women who need hospital abortions, are those who have cancer, diabetes or heart trouble. Women who have been in severe accidents also need hospital abortions in order to receive life saving medications. It is estimated that as many as 40 women will die because of the decision.

Smeal said she believes that "women are fundamentally powerless in the politics of this nation." In order to change laws passed such as the Webster Case more women need to become involved in politics. Abortion involves a woman's body so more women need to be the ones making these decisions. There can not be "half freedom for women and half restriction for women."

"We need more young people to be outraged. We need young people to fight," insisted Smeal on keeping abortion legalized. She encouraged the Bates students to become involved in the Pro-Choice movement. "With a handful of people we can do a whole lot." □

CIA Question and Answer Leads to Hostility

by Amy Erickson

Even the mention of the letters CIA arouses controversy in the minds of many students. Last week, the Central Intelligence Agency and New World Coalition offered two very different viewpoints on the subject.

Last Tuesday, Mr. Eps of the CIA led a discussion on the work of the agency. A student petition prompted this Office of Career Services sponsored information session, which provided an opportunity for students to question the practices and methods of the CIA.

On Thursday, New World Coalition sponsored a lecture delivered by Ralph McGhee, a former CIA agent, entitled *Deadly Deceits*. New World presented the lecture as an alternative view to the Secretaries of State Conference.

Approximately 85 Bates students attended the CIA information session in the Olin Concert Hall. Mr. Eps, a CIA agent, began by explaining the key functions of the CIA. According to Eps, the agency's covert activity creates controversy. Eps said that the CIA must report all covert action to Congress in a "timely manner."

He spoke briefly of some past problems with these "timely reports" includ-

ing the Iran Contra Affair. Eps said that since the affair, the CIA has installed mechanisms to enforce reports of violations of existing laws.

Because of the incident, Congress wants to install a general within the CIA to "watch over" covert activity. Eps is against such an installation because he believes it will interfere with the protection of sources and methods used by the agency.

During the discussion period, many students approached the microphones with hostility and anger in their voices. One student called Eps a murderer, to which he replied, "I'm glad we have freedom of speech in this country."

The audience geared questions towards the morality of the CIA and the expectations of its employees. Eps told the students that all the CIA can ask of its employees is to follow its instructions. When he said that a person's choice about participation in the CIA reflects his or her own morality, the audience responded with laughter.

One question from the audience addressed the CIA's mission. When Eps was asked if the mission of the agency was to force American policy on the rest of the world, he replied, "yes." The audience again responded with laughter

and applause.

Ralph McGhee, a former covert operations agent who spent 25 years with the CIA, gave Thursday night's lecture. He retired in 1979 after becoming disillusioned with the agency. McGhee has written a book, *The Pentagon Papers*, to bring his concerns about the CIA to the American people.

McGhee said that for the first two decades of his career, he was "a good Ollie North" and tolerated no criticism of the CIA. His illusions became tainted when he was working in Thailand to gain information on the communist party within the country.

The CIA released information that the communist party in Thailand consisted of 2,000 guerrillas scattered all over the country, and that there was no popular support for the party. He went about his mission through interviews of villagers and discovered that the widespread support of the communist movement within the masses.

McGhee experienced great success with his program and planned to expand it nationwide. To his disappointment, his program was abruptly cancelled by the CIA, and his work, which proved that the communist party in Thailand actually consisted of 300,000-600,000

people, was not published.

McGhee's theory about why these events took place concerns Vietnam. At the time of his own research, U.S. troops were beginning to fight in Vietnam against communist guerrillas. According to the CIA, support for communism existed only in a few guerrilla regiments while in actuality, its support was nationwide.

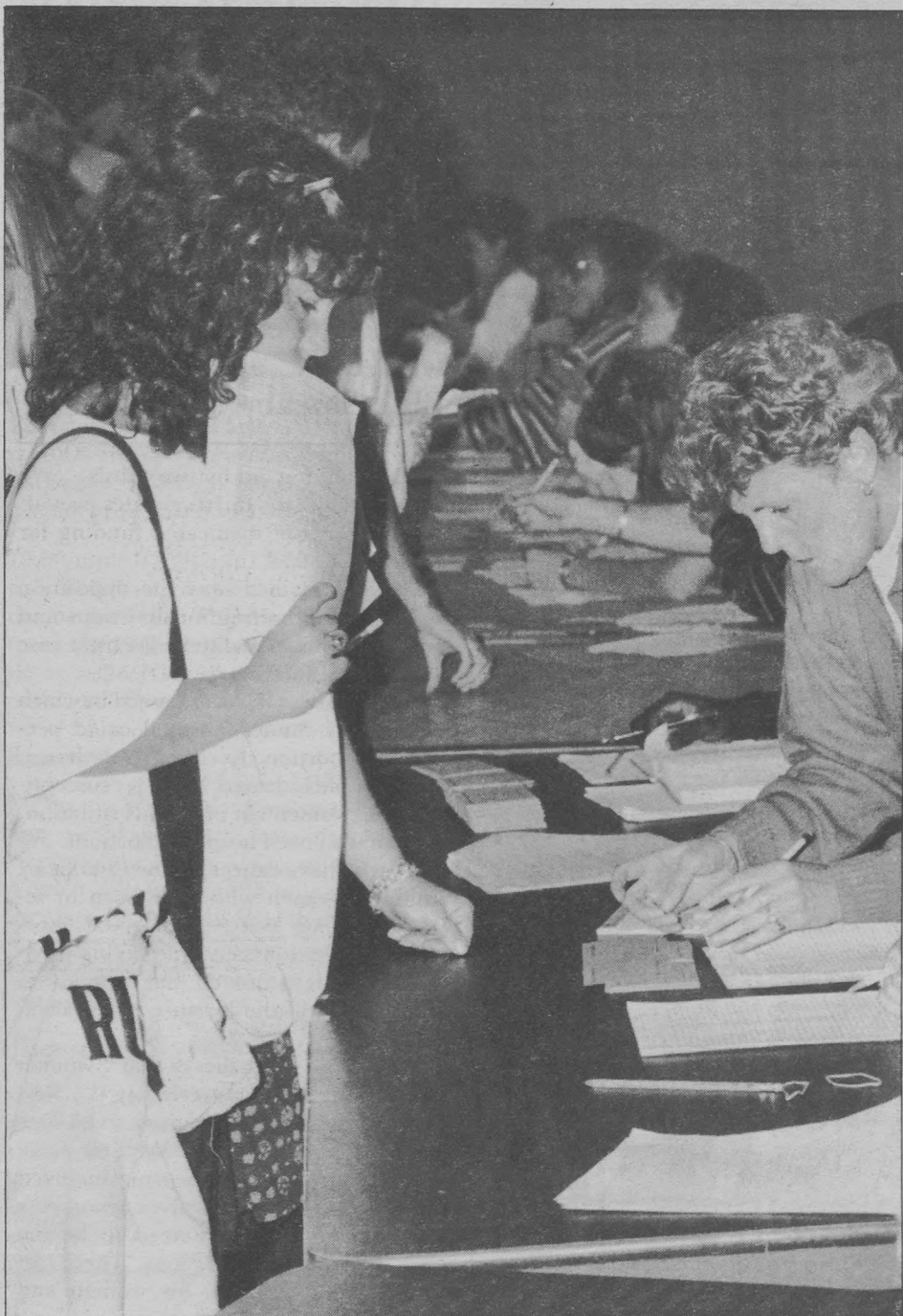
The circumstances in Vietnam were the same as those in Thailand. To publish McGhee's findings would only contradict the U.S. government's justifications for sending troops to Vietnam. In essence, McGhee believes the CIA lied about the entire nature of the war. He further said that all of his findings are recorded in *The Pentagon Papers*.

McGhee spoke about the CIA's methods of rigging foreign elections as the agency did in South America and in Vietnam. He also reported the planting of false stories into the media through world-wide connections.

McGhee spoke of the highly controversial CIA violations reported in *The Pentagon Papers* and drew his own conclusions about the agency. He stated that the CIA is not an intelligence agency, rather it is a strong arm for U.S. big businesses and a deception operation. □

Once Again, Students Survive Limited Enrollment

by Michael Lieber



After a long wait, Cathy Boosales '90 claims the ever-elusive pink card from Mary Gravel. Chris Keller photo.

This past week hundreds of Bates students took part in one of the most dreaded traditions on campus—limited enrollment. The hours of waiting for classes with limited space took place in Merrill Gym this past Sunday for freshmen and sophomores and the Wednesday before that for upperclassmen.

Recently, some changes have been made in regard to the organization of limited enrollment. Last year, the event covered two days rather than one for the first time. Other than that, the organization of the event has changed little, according to Dean Reese.

Most notably this year, the line set-up changed. Juniors and seniors waited in lines positioned the same place as last year. However, for freshmen and sophomores the lines hugged the walls all the way around the gym. Students seemed pleased with this because the narrow line made cutting, a major gripe of student's, harder and more obvious.

"The way it is organized lends itself to cutting because people get so desperate," said Yuki Takagaki '91.

John Degange '91 said he does not mind cutters "as long as they are not going for my class."

Vicki Oman '90 pointed out that students involved in sports have only two choices. They can skip practice and wait in line, or they can leave a bag in line in the afternoon and come back at 6:30 to get in line. Neither choice is fair to anyone, including them. "For them" says Oman, "it's a 'catch 22.'"

Natalie Adler '92 had a definitive solution to those who cut: "people who cut should be shot."

Students also dread the amount of time they must spend trying to get into these classes. Many students arrived in the early afternoon. Oman and Rick Landry '91 had been waiting since 12:45, and they were fourth in line. When it ended, many students had

spent up to eight hours in Merrill. Landry passed the time by napping, playing cribbage, and socializing. "It's a perfect chance for Batesies since they love to socialize in the library," he said.

Degange complained that limited enrollment takes too much time and too much hassle. According to Dean Reese, "it's a fair system. It's tedious, but it's fair. The bad thing is that it takes hours and hours."

The students in attendance clearly think that some problems still exist, but they believe that solutions do exist. This year the freshmen initiated a new plan where, upon entering Merrill, each student receives a number like in a deli. This way students do not have to wait in the gym, but instead they can leave and come back at 7:00. Sophomores Lori Haskins, Jessica Timmons, and Emily Romero like this idea and the freshmen impressed them.

By in large students felt that improvements have been made. Lori Haskins recalled last year's short term limited enrollment where people raced to the sign up sheets with no semblance of order. "Organization is better this year. Short term was a fiasco," she said.

The system satisfied Timmons fairly well. "I don't know how else they could do it - it's much better than at other schools."

Romero thinks a lottery would be a poor plan. She likes the numbers system that the freshmen employed.

"It is getting better but it still has a way to go," says Romero. Many others echoed her opinion. Many still felt, however, that for all its merits, limited enrollment remains a very unpleasant experience. Senior Eric Fuchs said, "this is the first time I have been in Merrill since Mike Dukakis was here, and frankly Mike Dukakis was more fun."

Vicki Oman said, "one of the happiest things about graduating is never having to do this again." □

Library Entering Computer Age

By Alex Lofft

In the next year and a half, the college library will go through some big changes. While only subtle so far, the improvements will become more apparent in the next semester.

Planning for these developments began in 1973. Under the direction of Catherine Kott, in charge of automation, a computer will list all the library's materials. Computerization will facilitate many functions of the library for the employees, the faculty, and the students.

If all goes as planned, by July 1, 1990, the library will hook up to The National Bibliographic Network, which has millions of records of most forms of media. The On Line Computer Library Center Company runs the system. Located in Columbus, Ohio, the company first developed the system for Ohio State University.

By adjusting our cataloging system to a format compatible with the network, the library will be able to order books in demand more easily, and check if they have already been ordered. The system can also locate books in other large libraries in this network and expedite the inter-library loan process.

Colby College has already set up this system, and Bowdoin College expects to

complete their system by the end of June 1990. Fortunately for progress' sake, the Berkeley California based company that works with Colby, Bowdoin, and Bates—Innovative Interfaces (INNO-PAC)—was undamaged by the earthquake.

This automation process will cost \$400,000, subsidized by private funding and large grants, one of which is a matching grant of \$250,000 each to Colby, Bowdoin, and Bates.

The Bates Library will make twelve terminals accessible to the students: one on the third floor, two on the second, five on the first, and four on the ground floor—including two in the audio room. Each terminal can access all of the library's materials and check if those materials are checked out.

The check out process will also become more sophisticated. Every book will have a bar code on it that a computer can read, much like the grocery store UPC symbols. The bar codes will not have anything to do with the library security system, so don't remove them as they start to appear at the end of this semester. Student I.D.'s may also get bar codes on them facilitate this process and keep track of overdue books.

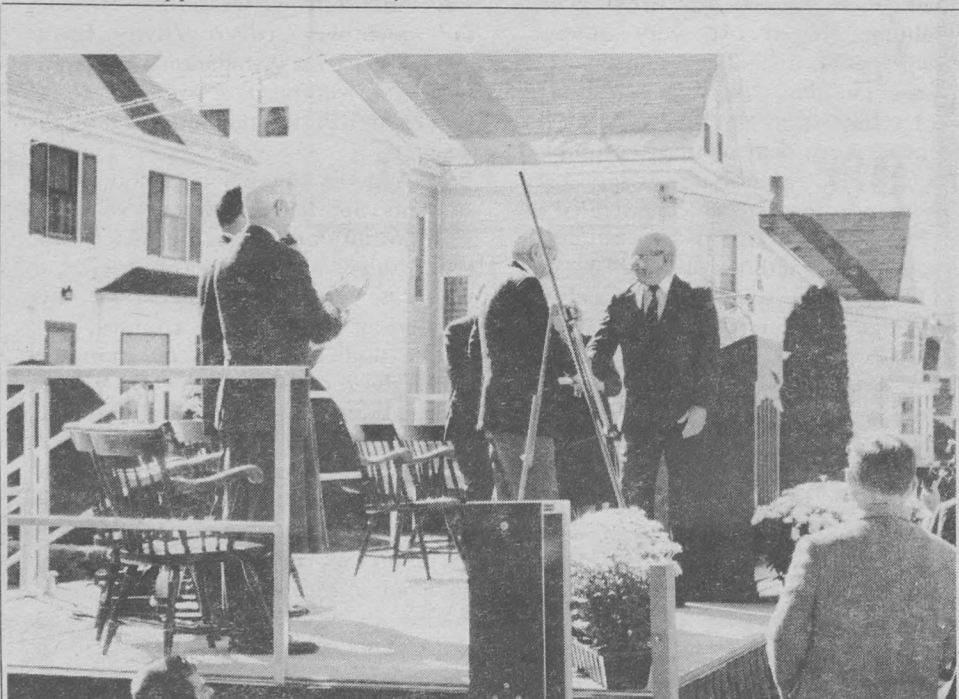
The academic departments will benefit directly as well. The faculty who have micro computers linked to the Campus Network will gain the ability to access li-

brary information directly from their offices. With the new system, they can find materials relevant to their own studies, or help students in their search more easily.

After the installation of the new system, the card catalogue area will become another reference desk area and relieve the overloaded eight foot stacks there now. Those opposed to this new system

expressed concern over a system which relies on technology to hold all of these records.

Mrs. Kott has said that they will update backup copies — which can only be erased if the computers are severely damaged daily. As Mrs. Kott pragmatically stated, "If the lights go out you won't be able to read the card indexes anyway." □



T. Hedley Reynolds gives his last public address as President of Bates College at the dedication of Lindholm House on Oct. 14. Kevin Kapila photo.

Minority Prospectives Get a Taste of Bates Life

by Rebecca Sanferrare

This past Thursday evening approximately 45 high school seniors arrived at Bates for the annual October minority prospective student weekend. The college paid for students to fly from anywhere in the county for an opportunity to sample Bates life.

The Afro-American Society sponsored and organized this weekend to further attract minority students from around the country to campus before early decision application deadlines arrive. Prospective applicants stayed with a host student and experienced college life first hand for three days.

The sub-frosh have access to all Bates facilities open to students, so their experience is quite genuine. The high school seniors arrived Thursday evening and immediately began to make friends as they were introduced to Commons for dinner with their hosts.

Friday and Saturday, prospectives attended lectures, meetings, and social gatherings planned specifically for the

weekend. Many of the arranged activities focused on the academic lures of Bates and the actual application process.

The prospectives all had scheduled interviews throughout the day on Friday. This experience, which was a first for many proved to be quite nerve-wracking for some. Ramona Boone, a senior from South Orange, New Jersey, commented that "an interview at 9:00 am is not my favorite way to start the day."

The rest of the day, students visited classes and had an opportunity to attend the seventh annual Conference with the Former Secretaries of State. Saturday evening many of the seniors proceeded to stay and talk with the professors and admissions faculty after their formal banquet.

Yet the visitors saw more than just the academic side of Bates. The prospectives all thoroughly enjoyed the coffeehouse held in the Den on Friday. This quite impressed most of the seniors who had never seen fellow students display such talent. The unusually balmy weather

over the weekend provided a perfect opportunity for the students to play frisbee on the Rand field, watch football, rugby, or soccer games, or wander the campus. Finally, after the banquet, most of the prospectives donned costume and joined the rest of campus dancing at the CHC Halloween Dance. This became the highlight for one enthused student who exclaimed while dancing, "This is it! I'm here!!"

The success of minority weekend can be summed up with the emotions shared by Eric Queen from Baltimore, Maryland. At breakfast early Sunday morning he reflected over the experiences of the past few days and said, "I can definitely imagine sitting and working at a desk in Smith North next year. And the parties like Page had on Friday night are in my future too!"

He paused and glanced down at the plate of sausage and scrambled eggs in front of him. Chuckling he then added, "I'm just not sure about this food. How late did you say Dominos delivers?" □



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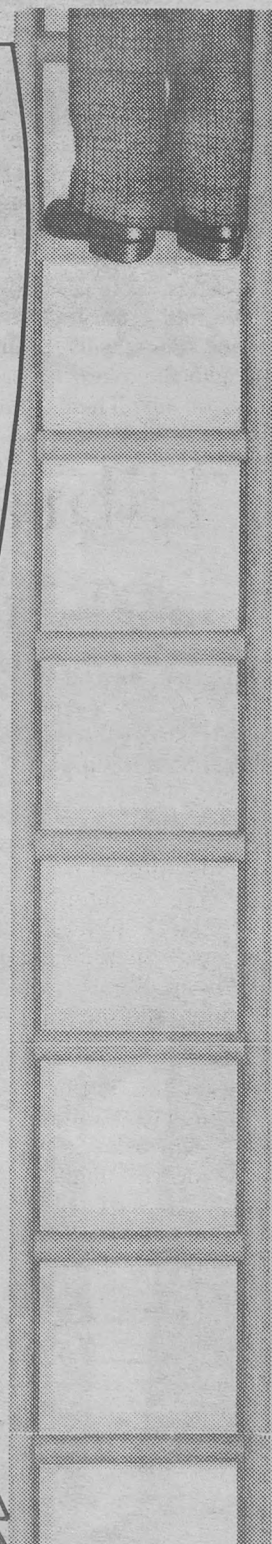
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Seventh Annual Conference with the Former Secretaries of State

Secretaries Discuss Policy

by Emanuel Merisotis

The task of covering all facets of American Foreign Policy in only two hours is not an easy one.

Last Friday, moderators Edwin Newman and Hedrick Smith faced that task along with six former Secretaries of State. They attempted to deliver an enlightening discussion to the members of the Bates community, Governor McKernan, numerous State Legislators, and others that assembled in Merrill Gymnasium.

The first topic of the discussion, although it required the shortest reply of the day,—whether one can now declare the Cold War over—may have been the most difficult question.

Only former Secretary William Rogers answered with a firm yes. Cyrus Vance and Edwin Muskie claimed that it is too early to tell, while the rest clearly stated no.

"No one knows what perestroika is, including Gorbachev. So how can we support it."—Dr. Henry Kissinger

Early on, Alexander Haig stated a theme that other former secretaries repeated later in the conference. Haig pointed to his concern with problems facing the U.S. at home—drugs, violent crimes, corruption, etc. He told a story of a recent East German Immigrant who, when asked if he fled to the West to enjoy Western values, said no. The East German then asked what kind of

values do Westerners have when they do such awful things?

When asked if we should assist Eastern European countries struggling to

"We Americans go through phases when we are not at our best, this is one of them," and "one of our most important jobs is to get our own house in order."—Dean Rusk

survive, Dean Rusk, reiterating Haig's point, responded by questioning the U.S.'s position to give advice to anyone. He stated that "We Americans go through phases when we are not at our best, this is one of them," and that "one of our most important jobs is to get our own house in order."

Dr. Henry Kissinger drew a loud round of laughter in his response to the question of whether or not we should help Gorbachev in his struggle for perestroika. He said, "No one knows what perestroika is, including Gorbachev. So how can we support it."

He also commented on giving money to help Gorbachev, and joked that the U.S. is "not a foundation." Most of the other secretaries found it in our interest for perestroika to succeed although we are not in a position to offer economic aid.

When questioned about whether we still needed Star Wars, Ed Muskie's reply of "I never thought we did," drew much applause from the crowd.

Dean Rusk also drew applause, when



Former Secretary of State and Bates alumnus Edmund Muskie '36. Steve Peters photo.

he directed his comments specifically to "the young people" in the audience, saying that it has been 44 years since a nuclear weapon had been fired in anger. And that the Secretaries can take pride in that accomplishment.

The only confrontation of the day occurred between Haig and Rogers. When

questioned about what effects the recent episode in China would have, Rogers voiced outrage over the Chinese government's lies about what had happened, especially since much of it was captured on film.

Haig seemed puzzled by Rogers' ■ SEE CONFERENCE, PAGE 8

Batesies Question Secretaries of State

By Richard Samuelson

The Bates community's best chance to tap the resource available by the presence of six former Secretaries of State came in the form of a question and answer period in the Olin Concert Hall.

The session arose out of the college's strong effort to make the experience of having six former top diplomats even "more educationally valuable" for the students than just the conference alone, according to James Carignan, dean of the college. Dean Carignan, with much help from President Harward, took up the task of arranging such a forum.

The major difficulty in arranging the session lay in finding a way to fit the question period into the day's schedule without hurting the conference or damaging a format which has proved quite successful in the past. As Carignan explained it, the college and the Southern Center for International Studies, who runs the conference, "had to squeeze out" time from the heavy day's schedule, especially the press conference, to make time for the question session.

The session took place following the press conference after the conference proper. Only four of the six showed up for the session. Dean Rusk, who is 80 years old, did not attend the press con-

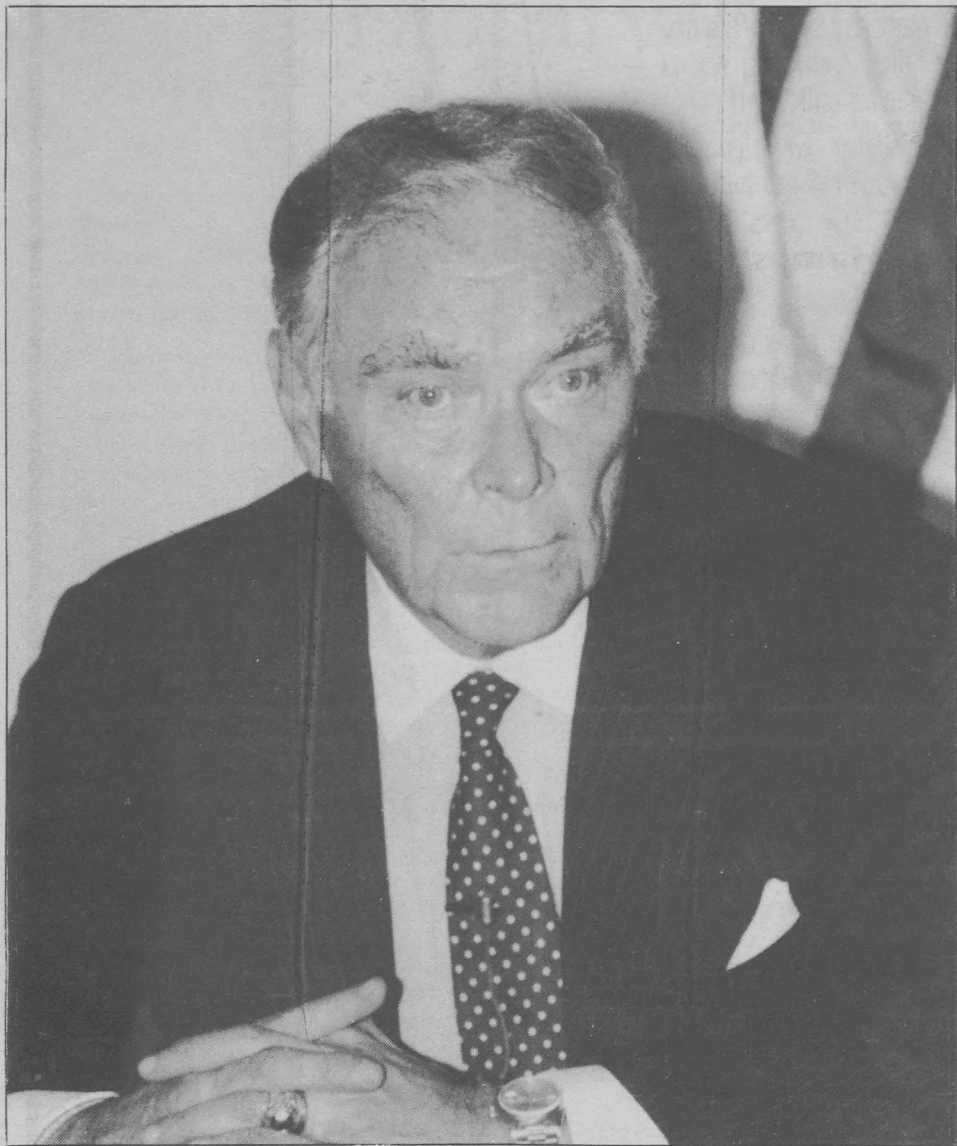
ference or the question and answer session due to fatigue, and Cyrus Vance had to hop on a plane for a speaking engagement in New Jersey.

The session proved quite useful and informative for those in attendance, although the Secretaries began to slow down and "show some evidences of weariness," as Carignan noted.

The session opened with a question directed at Secretary Haig concerning allegations that he had usurped the President's power while he was Chief of Staff during Watergate, and again after the shooting of President Reagan when he made his famous "I'm in charge" statement.

Haig responded he did not usurp the president's power. As for the "I'm in charge," he explained that the quote is taken out of context. What he really said, he explained, was that the Vice President is in the air and "pending his (the Vice President's) return (to Washington D.C.), I am in control, . . . should anything occur, well of course we will be in touch with the Vice President."

Other questions covered a broad spectrum of foreign policy topics. They ranged from the relevance of the Nixon Doctrine (that the United States must ■ SEE QUESTION, PAGE 8



Former Secretary of State Alexander Haig. Steve Peters photo.

Protesters Battle It Out For Secretaries' Attention

by Evan Silverman

Following the Seventh Annual Report of The Secretaries of State, about 75 people gathered outside the Olin Arts Center to voice their opinions about the visiting Secretaries.

With the presence of about 25 policemen, several Bates security people, a few deans of the college and a wide range of sentiments on the subject, the gathering was small but chaotic.

The gathering began about 3:00 P.M. as the Secretaries of State were chauffeured in limousines from Merrill Gymnasium over to Olin. Upon their arrival, the Secretaries were met with a barrage of banners, signs, flags, cheers, and jeers.

New World Coalition (N.W.C.) organized a protest of what they called "the failure of American foreign policy to respect basic human rights." Students and representatives of several off-campus organizations stood together holding banners such as "Welcome Secretaries of War" and "Welcome Killenger."

Next to these protestors stood about ten members of Pierce House holding up a mattress declaring that "Pierce House loves America" in bright orange spray paint. In addition, they all vigorously waived American flags.

As the Secretaries of State stepped out of their cars, the Pierce House contingent showered them with a large chorus of cheers and applause, while, as might

be expected, the N.W.C. sponsored protestors booed or held their signs silently.

N.W.C.'s coordinator Tim Walsh '92 spoke of the protest saying, "America represents peace and we (the United States) have done some things wrong."



New World Coalition members protest the crimes of Secretaries of State. Steve Peters photo.

We have a right to protest."

Stan Lofchie, a spokesman for the group Veterans for Peace, came to protest what he called "a steady initiative of genocide and clandestine acts against Central and South America, and Cam-

bodia" on the part of the Secretaries. "None (of the Secretaries) are exempt" he commented.

Roger Leisner, a coordinator of the Peace with Justice for Maine United Methodist Churches, felt compelled to

verbally, although neither spoke directly to each other. At one time N.W.C. participants broke out chanting a slogan about the need for money for peace, not for war. Simultaneously, Pierce House responded by singing the Star-Spangled Banner, thereby drowning out the other voices.

The N.W.C. protestors had little to say about Pierce House, although Walsh did comment on their banner saying, "Who said we didn't love America. This protest is what America is all about."

The Secretaries showed little direct reaction as they passed the gathering while entering and exiting Olin, save a small maneuver by Henry Kissinger. Just before entering Olin, Kissinger stared a protestor in the eye and motioned his hand at the man, as if he were shooing him away. Alexander Haig was smiling and jubilant throughout, and Ed Muskie waved to the crowd, greeting the students of his former college.

Although the Secretaries' reactions were almost non-existent, all who gathered would agree that the Secretaries saw the signs and heard the cheers and jeers. The protestors and counter-protestors accomplished what they had set out to do. The Secretaries, Bates College, and most importantly the public, heard what those who gathered had to say. □

come to Bates to speak out against the amount of money spent on the conference. He carried a white sign proclaiming, "\$100,000 wasted, what about Maine's poor."

The two groups that gathered clashed

Faculty Comments on Secretaries' Conference

by Jon Custis

The Conference of the Secretaries of State held on October 27 received definite nods of approval from several faculty members. Many expressed views,

"One could come out with a very good understanding of the problems facing Bush's administration and the United States today."- Pia Wood, instructor of Political Science

in one form or another, that the conference seemed very worthwhile and at the same time brought benefits to the campus.

Pia Wood, instructor in Political Science, found the conference highly informative. At the same time, she noticed the lack of fundamental disagreement among the participants on many of the issues.

Wood found "the emphasis placed on

East and West Germany" most striking. She pointed out that the opinion of the participants did not mirror President Bush's views on the issue of reunification. She summed up the impact of the conference by saying, "One could come out with a very good understanding of the problems facing Bush's administration and the United States today."

Marcus Bruce, instructor in Religion, expressed similar positive feelings towards the conference. In referring to the ex-Secretaries of State themselves, he said, "It's not everyday we get to come into contact with people like that."

"It's not everyday we get to come into contact with people like that."-Marcus Bruce, instructor of Religion

Along the same lines, he continued, "A college should provide you with an occasion to come in contact with important people of the world."

Events on the day of and on days lead-



Former Secretary of State Dr. Henry Kissinger. Steve Peters photo.

ing up to the conference seemed to illustrate what Bruce meant when he said that programs like the conference "challenge the passivity of the student body. It forces them to confront issues."

Assistant Professor of Political Science James Richter said he believes that the conference was "definitely beneficial." He too said that the conference provided an "excellent opportunity to confront

these kind of people."

Richter went on to say that he took note of the question and answer session, in which "so many hands were raised up trying to ask question, most of which were appropriate." In conclusion Richter said, "The administration and the Muskie Archives did a wonderful job of initiating and orchestrating the conference." □

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World-Wide Press Agencies Cover Secretaries of State Conference

by Alicia Tomasian

Just how much publicity did Bates receive last week as a result of the Secretaries of State Conference?

The event drew national and as well as international wire press services, including United Press International (UPI) and Associated Press (AP), to the campus.

In addition, Reuters News Agency, a German based international news service, reported on the conference, and TASS, the official Soviet news agency, has called the college and asked for all the information on the conference. TASS supplies *Pravda*, the leading Soviet newspaper.

Many students would just assume that such a major conference would automatically attract such press. "That's not so," pointed out Stu Green, director of the News Bureau. "You're competing with so many international events."

Green went down to Boston about a month ago to speak with various editors, and such efforts proved successful in attracting publications such as *The Christian Science Monitor*, who ran the story with a color photograph.

"Even these gentlemen that were in office quite some time ago are being forced to change their thinking." -Hedrick Smith, co-moderator

The Southern Center for International Studies taped the conference to be shown at a later date on Public Broadcasting Systems. Green said that other stations had initially inquired about taping, but were not aloud. However, each network received a five minute feed.

The importance of the conference de-

pended on the content. What would a wire reporter be looking for in such an event? "I would think some consensus among them on some foreign policy of the day, whether it's Central America or changes in the U.S.S.R.," said Bill Frederick, UPI's state editor for Maine.

"I'll be particularly interested if any of those opinions differ from the foreign policy of the administration," he added.

Reporter Hedrick Smith, co-moderator of the conference reflected about the points he would stress. After listening to the whole conference, he said he thought the discourse focused on rapid change in the world. "Even these gentlemen that were in office quite some time ago are being forced to change their thinking," he said.

Glen Chase, a reporter from the *Lewiston Sun-Journal*, commented that he thought the key issue would be containment. "That's the big one," he said. "The big issue is what's happening in

Eastern Europe," he added.

Chase acknowledged the *Sun-Journal's* competition. "You've got everybody and their cousin covering it," he said. However, the local press did take a slightly different approach. Chase pointed out that the *Sun-Journal* had a reporter covering the protest. The protesters did, in fact, make the local television news broadcasts.

Chase did comment that he would be looking for a local angle with U.S.-Canadian relations and the conflicts between Quebec and the rest of Canada. "That's something that would have more relevance here," he said.

Other New England based reporters hoped for some local acknowledgement, but did not plan on it. "We're not covering this as a local story," said Jerry Fraser of *The Portsmouth Herald*. He did, however, add that there was a possible local tangent in reference to the air base being closed down in his area.



Conference

■ **CONFERENCE, FROM PAGE 6** comments. He noted that if we only dealt with honest governments, we would not have anyone to associate with including ourselves. He pointed to Kent State as an example of how even the U.S. tries to hide the truth, and downplay incidents.

All of the Secretaries agreed that while what transpired in China was awful, good relations with the Chinese still have extreme importance.

For the final topic of the conference, the Secretaries zoned in on Central America, more specifically the failed coup d'etat in Panama.

Dr. Kissinger expressed displeasure with an American willingness to drop causes. He stated that when we decide to start something, we should do everything we can to see it through to the end.

Kissinger made a specific comment about the U.S.'s creation of the contras and then the cut of military aid to them. Commenting on our provision of only humanitarian aid to the contras, he said, "What do we expect them to do, throw band-aids."

Muskie, although he pointed out that we still don't know what happened in Panama, showed concern that the U.S. was getting into the business of assassinating heads of state. □

Secretaries Answer Questions

■ **QUESTION, FROM PAGE 6**

reinterpret its role in the world, as the global power structure changes) in today's world, to the wisdom of policies toward South Africa.

One question probed the topic of bipartisanship which had also arisen in the conference. All four on the panel seemed to regret the loss of a system of hierarchy in the congress.

Secretary Kissinger noted that in 1969 when he went to Washington, "one could deal with five or six senators who could give one a very reliable picture of what was . . . possible, and who acted as principles, and . . . there was a good possibility for bipartisanship. . . . One could be pretty sure that these people would be able to deliver."

This structure made it possible for the President to construct a unified foreign

policy by coordinating the desires of the executive with the demands of the congress. However, the congress has become so fragmented that this kind of unified policy front is barely achievable.

Secretary Muskie agreed with Kissinger. He also elaborated on the points that Kissinger had made about the change being caused by the increase in congressional staffs and the loss of seniority.

"With seniority losing its value for the congress, then any Senator, the day after he takes office, can be a voice on foreign policy—foreign policy is a very attractive area."

Those Senators with expertise in foreign policy and who understand the subtleties inherent in the field, are no longer the only ones responsible for the subject in the Senate. All parties seemed to

agree that the loss of the idea of rank in congress has made foreign policy making considerably more difficult.

Though quite informative and interesting, the session was essentially uneventful, with the noteworthy exception of the second to last question. The question was directed to Secretary Kissinger, and stated the asker's belief in his complicity in the secret bombing of Cambodia, and the telling of various lies, and then he asked why should we trust him when President Bush sends him to speak to Gorbachev and report back to him. This question met with a smattering of applause.

Kissinger responded that "the question should be treated with contempt," and he should not answer it. The room erupted with applause at this response.

He then proceeded to answer the question and explained that the facts that the questioner listed were inaccurate, and he corrected them. He ended his answer by stating that, "whether you think I can be trusted to deliver messages from Gorbachev to Bush means a lot less to me than whether President Bush trusts me to deliver messages."

Despite this brief departure from the academic into foreign policy, the session was quite good. It gave members of the community a unique opportunity to learn from four of the most experienced, and knowledgeable diplomats living today. □

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Support Recycling

The recent increase in environmental awareness at Bates has resulted in a number of changes here on campus. Probably none are more noticeable than the paper recycling bins placed near many public trash cans.

At the present rate, Bates takes two to three loads of garbage to the Lewiston Landfill each day. Not only do we have to pay approximately \$30 for each load but we also lose valuable resources daily. Paper comprises over 50 percent of the waste produced here at Bates. We can recycle this waste through the recycling bins.

At the current rate, Bates does not turn a profit on its recycling efforts, but does save both dumping fees and the environment. Bates students, faculty, and staff should not perpetuate apathy by ignoring the recycling efforts underway around this campus. No reason exists for any of us to lack the intelligence necessary to sort paper into three different bins.

The principle organizers behind this growing movement belong to the Bates Environmental Committee of the Outing Club. They have made it very simple to sort papers in the mailroom, yet nobody seems to notice that those clearly marked bins are *not* for common garbage. As educated individuals, it behooves us to make a conscious effort to lend a hand in efforts to save the environment.

The BEC has put a lot of time into this recycling project and we must make it our responsibility to follow suit. It takes little time and effort to recycle. Just pitch that paper in and do it.

Listen to Views

Last week, the Bates community received an excellent opportunity to observe six very important men in American history interact with each other and express their opinions and insights on the issues that face our rapidly changing world.

Like any politicians who ever held positions of power, each of these Secretaries of State have made decisions that have upset and hurt certain citizens of the nation they have served. As in any academic community, it is our responsibility to question and analyze the actions of these men, and indeed we were all given the unique opportunity to personally address them.

However, we should not use the conclusions we draw to try to filter the events that come to our campus. Those that felt that some of the Secretaries are guilty of crimes against humanity could have gained better understanding of the justifications and methods used to downplay and brush aside these actions by carefully observing the conference, and perhaps asking an informed and thought-out question at the question and answer session.

As a politically aware campus, we should jump at the chance to host politicians of questionable motives because we as a community can observe and challenge the powers that run our country. A liberal arts education ideally entails an understanding of a wide range of views and theories.

How do we benefit from limiting our lecturers and events to those that coincide with the ideals and theories of our student body and faculty? The more informed we become, the more intelligently we can make decisions in the future. Furthermore, the better we understand the thoughts and actions of the people in power, the more prepared we will be to oppose them when it matters most.

Letters to the Editor

Improve Limited Enrollment

To the Editor:

I am now a junior, and it is surprising to me that no one has ever written a column or letter criticizing the system of "limited enrollment" during the three years that I have been enrolled here.

In my opinion, "limited enrollment" is a very irrational, unfair, inefficient, illogical, and ill-conceived system for the selection of courses by students. I realize that by the very nature and structure of Bates College, it is inevitable that some people will not always be able to enroll in every course that they might wish to take. However, I can't help but think that there must be a better way of running the whole affair.

Typically, "limited enrollment" begins at approximately 7:00 p.m. every semester. "Begin" is a rather loosely defined term, since one must get in line at 5:00, or even earlier, to reserve a space in a very popular course. However, many a time when I have arrived at the Merrill Gymnasium at 5:00 or 5:30, while patiently waiting in line, I have seen people casually stroll into the gym at 6:45 or 7:00, recognize a friend at the front of the line and wait with him or her, thus potentially denying a person

who arrived earlier a space in a course. Perhaps the administration of the college should issue firearms to all the people who arrive early in the afternoon to prevent such tragedies from occurring.

My idea to improve the system of "limited enrollment" would be to have the system function along the lines of the spring "rooming lottery." Students would choose their courses for the next semester by a stratified lottery, on the basis of a randomly assigned number. Exceptions to this system would be made in light of extenuating circumstances: 1. People who are three-year students and need a course for their major requirements; 2. Students who must take a course for their major before a certain year and/or semester; 3. Students who must take a certain course to fulfill their humanities cluster requirements; 4. Students who have tried in the past to enroll in a certain course, but have been unable to do so. I believe that this system in both fair and just.

I realize that my system might have faults, but I believe it to be infinitely preferable to the existing one.

Sincerely,

Brendan J. Gillis, '91

We Should Blame Ourselves

It was both encouraging and discouraging to see that the "Secretaries of War" protest had such strong support. The protest was part of a larger awareness campaign that reflected a much needed attempt to publicly demand an American foreign policy that is respectful of human rights. However, to call Dr. Kissinger "a bad egg in a rotten bunch" reflects the mudslinging-finger-pointing tendencies that only makes it more difficult to "stick to the issues."

The protest reflects a belief that American foreign policies are formulated and directed by autonomous political power elites over which we (the American people) have no control. Condemning political leaders whose power is granted to them by the people is not as important as the idea that we have failed to exercise our constitutional rights to be informed of the policies that are supposed to be working in our interests.

This is a far greater atrocity. Should we condemn Oliver North because he directed foreign policy by the seat of his pants or should we be kicking ourselves because we gave him that power?

We trust our elected leaders to make intelligent appointments and have the administrative capacity to be able to supervise the implementation of policy. In this respect, presidents Nixon and Reagan failed to regulate the activities of the State Department and the NSC.

As part of the executive branch, State and the NSC should advise the president of foreign policy, help implement policy decisions, but most importantly, represent American citizens and their interests in dealing with other states.

The past is history. Some of the mistakes made by Nixon and Ford have re-occurred under Reagan and Bush. People have died, alliances have been broken and American credibility has been damaged. Today's issues must be addressed. Let us not cry over spilt milk 19 years from now because *we* allowed others to fill the glass and put at the edge of the table.

It is *right* to question the policies but wrong to abuse the men. We have only ourselves to blame. A college is a place for open minded people to think about the future. It can be a place for progressive protests—not a place to continue protests that people died for years ago. Their lives and their protests were instrumental in ending and immoral war and they must not be forgotten.

Someone once said that "there are 9,999 people chopping at the branches (of social and political problems) but only a few chopping at the roots." Rather than hack branches that died and rotted out years ago, our lives can be better spent reexamining the roots of current problems in American foreign policy.

A select few have been trusted with the power to make important decisions that concern the lives of people all over the world. We must reexamine current activities in American foreign policy. Most importantly, we must recognize and redefine our role in the policy making process. This brings up a larger and much more critical issue—representation in our own democracy.

Sincerely,

J. Fralick, '90

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The views expressed in columns and letters to the editor voice the opinions of the writers and not necessarily those of the Editorial Board of *The Bates Student*.

Destructive Rumor: How We Do Ourselves In

A few nights ago, I was leaving Skelton lounge when I saw a little girl lingering near the front door, replete with Halloween costume. She couldn't have been more than about three years old, and was close to the cutest thing that anyone had ever laid eyes on.

I smiled down at her, and she, instead of smiling back, arranged her chocolate-besmirched mouth into a suitable three-year-old pout steadied her two-foot stature, straightened her slight, Batman-clad frame, and called out, "Stupid guy." All I could do was laugh, and keep walking. It was perhaps among the funniest things that had happened to me all week.

It matters little what kids say, because they are kids: human beings with a drastically different perception of the world. Ideas of etiquette do not enter their minds as often as those of whim and desire.

We expect children to say inappropriate things. This is one of their more intangible toys—the ability to play with grown-ups' minds.

We laugh because we adults know that few things that they say can bring any real harm, and because this is part of what sometimes makes children cute and adorable. Thus children are granted an unspoken license to say and do what

they may without too many reactions of extreme horror from grownups.

After about age ten, however, this license is revoked as children move away from childhood and towards the crucible of adolescence. By age twenty or so, it is assumed that normal people will make fairly sound decisions and draw valid deductions from the world which surrounds them.

It is assumed that normal adults do

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not resort to drawing their perception of reality from the realm of fiction and of make-believe. So this is *assumed*.

This assumption died quickly in the wake of the events at Saturday's Chase Hall party. We adults indulge in our own toy: rumor. It is surprising how, with just a smidgeon of dubious evidence and a smattering of facts, a group of thinking adults can devise the biggest of lies.

We are all guilty when we recite half-baked stories to others. Of course, much of this is done in the name of enlivening conversation, or just for the sake of having something new to say. Nevertheless, sometimes such conduct can be damaging.

It just so happened that the initiators of the fray were African-Americans. They were not students, as I understand it, but rather came from the Navy base near Brunswick. No one formally associ-

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ated with the college invited them, and they managed to get through the door without a ticket.

Only fate would have it that Saturday was the second day of Minority Student Weekend. Many of these students attended the party. So when tales started to fly as to what happened, many of them included the assumption that one of the 'sub-froshes' lost his cool for some reason and slugged a Batesie. Fueled well, the machine of Rumor ran its reckless course.

In the minds of many, the mistake was easy to make: a new black face on the Bates campus coupled with popular Bates perceptions of 'outsiders'—this being *our* campus, and those who don't belong should be treated with suspicion.

Rumor had soon established that these men were invited by Bates' Afro-

Am society. Indeed, why not? Why else would black men be at Bates?

Soon, people began to look to Afro-Am for answers and apologies, as if they had any control over the disruptive actions of other African-Americans. This expectation was borne of racism, pure and simple.

A little later, based upon the assumption that the men were prospective minority students, people began to debate how worthwhile such an institution as Minority Student Weekend was. I heard people say that the whole practice was unfair, even discriminatory.

Individuals began to see a reason for the college to reevaluate its whole policy concerning outreach to minority students. Although it was up to these specific individuals to draw the perverted conclusions, we all contributed to their fruition by spreading the rumor.

The fact that anything happened Saturday is a shame. However, it is more of a shame that an entire policy would be thrown into potential jeopardy because of our stupid rumors. We adults have not progressed as far from the habits of our childhood as we would like to think. What we say *can* be extremely damaging. We need to *think* before we speak. □

Corey Harris is the Forum Editor for The Student.

Johnny Can't Read: Leftist Education at Bates

Looking over the humanities course selection for next semester is enough to make one quickly lose faith in Bates' claim to be an institute of higher education.

It is truly insulting to be forced to make decisions among courses that deal with inane topics when the number of courses being offered is ridiculously small.

Why must valuable tuition dollars be wasted studying courses like "Gender and the Body in Christian tradition", or my personal favorite, "Walt Disney Comics from a psychoanalytic, Marxist, and structuralist approach," when topics of major relevance are being ignored.

The list goes on and on. Bates College is following the leaders of intellectual filth, specifically the Ivy League, in their abandonment of the classics of Western Civilization.

I know Bates' pseudo-intellectual elite is already grabbing pen and paper to remind me, yet again, that the "classics" are racist, sexist, homophobic, and God only knows what else. (They think of a new one every month or so.)

In no way am I suggesting that

women and minorities have not made significant contributions to the literature and culture of Western Civilization. Works by Jane Austen, the Bronte sisters, Emily Dickinson, Alice Walker, and a whole host of others deservedly belong in a list of "classic" works.

What is offensive though, is Bates' ob-

Todd Rider

session with enforcing equality into areas where it did not exist. Whether one likes it or not, certain periods of literature were dominated by white male authors.

It undermines true scholarship to search for token authors, judging them not on their literary merit but on their color or sex. This "affirmative-action" scholarship is patronizing and insulting.

The goals behind this movement to monopolize the humanities with gender, class, and ethnic issues, are quite obvious and thoroughly revolting. The Left wants to use the university as a staging area for political action.

Don't believe me? I will let the Left

speak for itself. Linda K. Kerber, past president of the American Studies Association, writing on race, class, gender, and ethnicity, says that we should use

The problem at Bates is that we are spending an inordinate amount of time studying the Angela Davis' of the world, and not enough of the Homers.

"our understanding of power relations to reconceptualize both our interpretation and our teaching of American culture."

That sounds very much like Big Brother rewriting history to fit his own specific political needs. By reinterpreting our history, culture, and literature in the university it enables them to use it to support their political goals.

Instead of increasingly concentrating our curriculum on courses that are developed to enhance liberal ideology on this campus, we should reinvigorate our study of topics that have enduring value.

What do I mean? Let's look at an example. No rational person would argue that the *Iliad* is not among the greatest works of literature ever produced. However, when one discusses literature by Angela Davis, the argument becomes one of political partisanship.

The problem at Bates is that we are spending an inordinate amount of time studying the Angela Davis's of the world, and not enough of the Homers. Regardless of any of the hate mail this column produces, the increasing study of race, gender, etc., in our literature and culture has **purely** political motives.

In a time when the number of courses a professor has to teach grows smaller and smaller, the immediate goal of the college should be to provide us with a sense of what books, art, music, etc., have had the greatest impact on our culture, both modern and ancient.

If we do not do this in a hurry, we will soon be graduating classes of students who can talk at length about the feminist issues in Walt Disney comics, but who never read Virgil or Milton.

I hope you are listening, President Harward. □

Todd Rider is a columnist for The Student.

Calvin and Hobbes

by Bill Watterson



Letters

The Bates Student must receive all letters for publication by 12:00 noon on the Tuesday prior to publication. The newspaper will only print signed letters. Letters should be submitted typed, single spaced, or saved on a computer disk in Wordperfect 5.0 format. The Bates Student reserves the right not to print letters and to edit letters over 500 words for length and clarity. At the discretion of the Editorial Board, longer letters may be printed. Send letters to box 309 or deliver in person to room 224 Chase Hall. The views expressed in columns and letters to the editor voice the opinions of the writers and not necessarily those of the Editorial Board of The Bates Student.

How The Left Let Themselves Down

For nearly two weeks the Bates community was inundated with table mail, posters, propaganda, and rhetoric from the New World Coalition regarding a few events. Everything appeared to be peachy for these politically active students. They had forced the CIA into having a question and answer session,

Mike Lieber

they were hosting a CIA defector who was speaking about the wrongdoings of his former employer, and they had six former Secretaries of State to lambaste. What more could they ask for?

So where did the letdown come? Everything seemed fine up until about the Wednesday before the big event. New World Coalition continued spreading its message in immature form, but around Wednesday it was clear that people were getting sick of the whining.

The night before the CIA held its question and answer session. Did these students embarrass the career CIA man? Would they do the same to the Secretaries of State? The answer is no. The letdown occurred because the campus began to realize that these students were not a real threat and did not have anything new to say.

Sure they rehashed what the CIA did 35 years ago, but in the Tuesday night question and answer, the CIA agent easily handled the barrage of contemptuous questions. He handled the questions so well because he had heard them all before. What did the New World Coalition expect? Did they expect to embarrass this man? Did they expect to have him apologize for the mistakes of his superiors? These students forgot that the CIA has had decades to formulate answers to their questions.

Oh, what foreshadowing. This man was just a measly CIA worker. Now what happens when these students, or any for that matter, try to embarrass some of the foremost foreign policy minds in our country. Not surprisingly the same thing happens—only worse.

Making of a Cliché

I often find the weakness that the bandwagon effect brings quite interesting. In sports, when the "K-Korner" went up in Shea Stadium during Dwight Gooden's rookie season, it stood as an interesting novelty. The novelty lay not only in the actual "K-Korner," but also in the use of the word "K," a term which only the coterie that knows how to score baseball understood.

However, the freshness, and the fun, soon ended. The "K" became chic, and therefore rapidly weakened because of the proliferation of "K's" in the rest of Shea Stadium, as well as the rest of the

Richard Samuelson

parks in the league.

The word "K" lost much of its vigor, and even announcers (who must use words everyone understands) started using the term as a replacement for strikeout. As a result of this overuse of the term, "K" became just another drab, lifeless replacement for "strikeout."

This phenomenon of overuse—thus robbing something of its value—is not limited to words or sports. The large number of boycotts and marches which participants now conduct robs them of their usefulness.

In late 1955 the boycott started by

While I was waiting for the question and answer session with the secretaries to begin, I noticed that there were only four seats for the secretaries. That meant that two would be no-shows. I overheard someone behind me say that Kissinger never answers questions. Even when he



Protesters welcome "Secretaries of War." Marlan Proctor photo.

was a professor at Harvard he would not answer students' questions. Why would he change here, now?

He did come, to the surprise of many. I could almost hear the New World Coalition members licking their chops. This was their big chance. They had the chance to put a highly respected diplomat to shame.

After several fairly even-tempered questions one Bates student attempted to disgrace Kissinger. Kissinger responded clearly and in the process put the student to shame. Kissinger was applauded. This was the climax of two weeks of protest and propaganda. This was the climax of their letdown.

The naiveté of the New World Coalition, and its lack of creativity in the final days of these affairs made its rhetoric in the early days of the protest look abso-

lutely silly. First of all, it must be understood that their politics has nothing to do with their failure. They were going up against people who were far more knowledgeable and, more importantly, far more polished than they. The New World Coalition was out of its league.

No political group on campus could have done what NWC wanted to do.

The lack of creativity is another reason for their downfall. After weeks of essentially whining, the Bates community was expecting something big from these students. Many people figured that the protest would be much larger than the thirty or so people who were there. The very creative and very smug table mail accomplished its goal of riling students up, but when it came to last Friday's event, their protest fell flat on its face.

If they truly wanted to have some impact, they could have. Violence would not have been a very smart move, but it would have gotten their point across. Storming Merrill would have been disastrous to the proceedings but beneficial to their cause. I am glad they did not

do these, but only cataclysmic actions, actions like these, would have prevented a letdown. They built their cause up so much in the days prior to the events, that they were destined for a downfall.

A final point would be this. The protest they mustered was simply unimpressive. When they unfurled their banners and shouted through the megaphone at

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Merrill, people paid attention for about one half of a second. The placards they had were simply so unmemorable that I just cannot remember any.

The New World Coalition should take a lesson from the Chinese students in Tiananmen Square when it comes to making picket signs. The Chinese students came up with better English picket signs, and it is not even their native language. Outside of Qin the protesters chanted, "If we forget the past, we are destined to repeat it." Wow! That sure is a revolutionary slogan.

Al Haig thought that the protesters were shouting for the Secretaries, not against them. This is how unimpressive their efforts were (I must add, however, that no one ever accused Haig of intelligence).

I am very happy to see that Bates students are politically active and have the guts to protest. New World Coalition should be commended for taking a stand. I am not taking issue with their politics—only their methods.

It comes down to this: New World Coalition did not realize what they were up against, and they set unreasonably high expectations for themselves. In the future, I urge them to use more prudence in planning or else they are destined to fail again. □

Mike Lieber is a reporter for The Student.

Was Forum Beneficial?

The seventh annual report of the Secretaries of State last weekend brought together six men who at some point in history held a key role in determining how our country interacted with the rest of the world. At the same time, it gener-

increase the prestige of Bates.

At the same time, I can only imagine how amused Kissinger became when someone attempted to drag him into a one on one debate about things he did almost twenty years ago. Are people so blinded by the "bad" things that some do that they cannot see the good that they may have done?

Do certain people lack the restraint to keep an open forum from becoming a direct attack and an embarrassing situation for the college's administration? It seems not, and it also seems that what may have started out as a good intentioned endeavour to foster further education turned into a counterproductive display by some with selfish interests.

I would have gladly signed the petition calling for the open question and answer session, but I felt that it could easily turn into something quite different, and from all accounts it did.

To those who feel that a degree from Bates carries with it a "superficial form of public prestige," I would like you to ask yourselves why you even bothered to apply here in the first place. □

Jon Custis is a columnist for The Student.

Jon Custis

ated a flood of table mail, articles, and posters directed at just one of those six men—Henry Kissinger.

While those who were not happy with Kissinger's presence here on campus had every right to protest against it, there seems to be a sentiment among many on campus that what resulted Friday afternoon was neither appropriate, nor did it serve to "educate" the campus as many initially intended.

Although I was not able to attend either the conference or the question and answer session that followed, what I heard through the grapevine made me shake my head and wonder why.

Personally, I am concerned about this college's national reputation, for it will definitely be a factor in determining what I do later in life. The opportunity to host the conference was an honor that shouldn't have been taken lightly, and I can only imagine how much it served to

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Bates Faculty Involved In Preservation of Rain Forest

by Mark Freeman

As part of Environmental Awareness Month at Bates, Assistant Research Biologist Lynn Grondin Hannum gave the first in a series of lectures focussing on the problem of rain forest destruction.

In this opening lecture, Hannum set the stage for the forthcoming talks of her colleagues by providing a colorful slide show of the animals and plants of the rain forest, highlighting their immense, and sometimes startling diversity.

She followed her discussion with a description of the extensive, continuing destruction of the rain forests of the world, which house these diverse species. Hannum then discussed the unique program originated by her colleague, Sharon Kinsman—the Children's Rain forest Project (CRP).

While on sabbatical in Sweden, doing volunteer work for the environmentalist organization, the Globetree Foundation, Kinsman talked to some 40 seven to nine year olds, and showed them a slide show of life in the rain forest. When Kinsman told the children the forest was in danger of being destroyed, they reacted with a strong desire to save it, or at least some of it.

They decided to raise money in order to buy a piece of the forest, originally 25 acres, at the then current price of \$25 an acre. They performed a play about loggers cutting down the rain forest to raise money.

High school students began to catch on, and joined the effort, as did hundreds of other students in Sweden. "The organizational part (of the project) is done by adults, but the children have been the inspiration," said Hannum, continuing, "the problem is cut and dry to the children . . . it can't be rationalized to them."

Hannum said, "Sweden has a really good system of forest management . . . it's something they're (Swedes) more aware of, which probably contributes to their (the children's) strong reaction to the rain forest situation."

Commenting on the possibility of such a program here in the U.S., Hannum notes American culture's general lack of respect for forests. Hannum said, "We really ought to start something like that here . . . to bring the topic into the classrooms."

The economy of rain forest countries adds to the complexity of the problem of their destruction and what to do about it. Many people have developed a lifestyle economically dependent on the use of the rain forest.

Some are involved in large scale, powerful industries, with projects like dam building (for power), harvesting tropical hardwoods, gold mining, paper production, while others farm the land, raising beef out of economic necessity (incidentally the U.S. consumes a full two-thirds of the beef produced by such means).

In any case, the resourceful rain forest provides a way of life for many, making its preservation difficult. Hannum said, "If you're faced with the starvation of your family or the destruction of a few acres rain forest, you don't have much choice."

Africa, Southeast Asia, and Indonesia, as well as in Brazilian South America.

Hannum noted the difficulties associated with the purchase of rain forest, "... it can have its problems, if no one is there to patrol it. You have to be working with an organization that has some infrastructure in that area to make sure that the land is being protected."

The CRP buys the land adjacent to the existing Monteverde reserve, governed by the associated organization called the Monteverde Conservation League, providing the necessary security.

The U.S. can help the situation by forgiving rain forest countries' debt to them. Hannum said, "... most of these countries are deeply in debt to the more developed countries like the U.S. . . . if the U.S. would forget this debt

members of rain forest countries there exists a serious concern for the preservation of the rain forests, "most people are really concerned, but they have no power because the industries are in control. Nothing can be done about it."

The Brazilian, Chico Mendez, did speak out to preserve the rain forest, and found out just how much power those industries have. The industry assassinated him because it perceived him as a threat to its welfare.

Another way to work on the problem is through education of the farmers that clear the land for grazing, so that their techniques won't waste so much land. Educating farmers in the cultivation of the lucrative yet harmless "renewable resources," represents another alternative.

Assistant Professor of History John Chasteen and Spanish Professor Regina Harrison lectured last Monday night on the effect of rain forest destruction on the indigenous peoples of Brazil.

Chasteen commented on the great magnitude of the loss of the ancient knowledge of these indigenous villages through their exposure to modern technology, or even their annihilation. He said that we could learn from them because, "they know how to live in the rain forest without destroying it," unlike foreigners.

Harrison has had personal experience with these peoples through residing with them in pursuit of her doctorate degree. She especially noted their aversion to the cattle that had become an integral part of their life as a result of the Western demand for beef.

"The introduction of this beast (the cattle) had changed the patten that these indigenous peoples had lived with . . . the animal was an intrusive animal, that did not fit in with their image of the forest," said Harrison.

Anyone interested in helping to save the rain forest can get involved with the Bates Environmental Committee of the Outing Club on campus. Boycotting certain products such as tropical hardwoods, and fast food can help. Sharon Kinsman will be giving her lecture on the forces behind rain forest destruction on Nov. 8, and anyone interested in involvement in the CRP can talk with her then. □



Lynn Hannum, one of the many Bates faculty involved in the environment. Marlan Proctor photo.

One way of saving the rain forest is through purchasing the land for use as a park or reserve—as the CRP does. Said Hannum, "Ecologists say now that at today's rate of destruction, all that will be left is parks and reserves." This hypothetical date of destruction is set at about the year 2020, for all rain forests, in North Australia, Central America,

to reduce economic pressure, people wouldn't be forced to use the rain forest."

A related solution, called the "debt for nature swap," proposes that the U.S. absorb another country's debt in return for the preservation of a chunk of rain forest land.

Hannum noted that among educated

Maine Starts Up Waste Management Agency

by Eduardo Contreras

In an effort to cope with the waste disposal crisis faced by the townships of Maine, the state legislature recently established the Maine Waste Management Agency (MWMA). The firm will strive to expedite the implementation and development of recycling and waste reduction plans, according to executive director Sherry Huber.

By outlining frameworks for recycling plans and by investing in waste disposal research and technology, the new institution hopes to immediately ameliorate the state's waste management crisis. MWMA, which opened its doors on October 1, 1989, will work closely with Maine's Department of Environmental Protection (MDEP), the public, and private industrial firms.

Planning technician B.J. Jones said, "Right now, Maine does not have the physical capacity to meet the needs of the population. There is an overabundance of waste at the filling sites, creating serious pollution hazards—our job

is to formulate plans to improve this situation."

The agency's central office in Augusta has three divisions, the planning office, recycling office, and the disposal site finding office. According to Huber, all three will participate in researching, organizing, and administering projects.

The agency, said Jones, has set as a major goal the locating of new sites for depositing waste and then their installation. She found this goal crucial to alleviating regional conflicts that result when one township must transport its trash to another.

One of the major programs that MWMA hopes to implement in its first year involves a "waste exchange" program with private industry. According to Jones, this proposal concerns transferring the solid, unusable waste of one factory to another plant that can use the waste in its production or manufacturing processes.

"This is a program we are borrowing from Vermont. They started using it sometime last year, and since then

Maine, as well as New Hampshire and Massachusetts have been implementing it, as it should significantly reduce the amount of waste that the state will have to dispose of," Jones noted.

Ultimately, the agency hopes to help boost the state's economy by reducing the tipping fees charged to companies for the disposal of solid-waste. Currently, due to the shortage of filling and other waste deposit sites, factories must pay high rates for each ton of waste that they deposit, an expense that businessmen show reluctance to paying.

Jones believes that these high tipping fees have damaged Maine's economy. She added, "by creating new ways to dispose of their waste, we should, within the near future, help reduce these tipping fees, and help the state's companies bounce back."

MWMA also intends to maintain strong ties to the community. Throughout the townships of Maine, the agency will sponsor programs and workshops which encourage municipal officials and the

general public to recycle their waste.

Through its research in waste reduction and recycling technology, MWMA aspires to achieve significant gains within the next few years. By 1992, Jones said, they hope to reduce disposable solid waste by 25% and by 1994 they hope to cut the current figure in half.

The agency presently receives funding from government bonds and taxes, according to Jones. She noted that, "It will take us about six months for us to get rolling and establish ourselves economically. By March we will be implementing our first programs." Jones added that her firm hopes eventually to become self-sufficient after establishing strong ties with the private sector.

Provisions for MWMA, still in the hiring and planning stages, stipulate the employment of sixteen officials. Jones said that they will hire employees from many professional fields to handle the research, marketing, and legal responsibilities of the firm. □

The BEC Acquaints Bates With Environment Issues

The following is an excerpt from Bruce Chatwin's *Songlines*:

"The Aborigines (of Australia) had an earthbound philosophy. The earth gave life to man; gave him food, language, and intelligence; and the earth took him back when he died. A man's 'own country', even an empty stretch of spinifex, was itself a sacred icon that must remain unscarred."

"To wound the earth is to wound yourself, and if others wound the earth, they are wounding you. The land should be left untouched . . ."

Granted, in today's society, the land cannot remain un-touched, but we sit at a critical point in time in which it becomes necessary to re-examine our priorities and seek out alternatives to our dangerous energy addictions.

The Bates Environmental Committee strives to increase awareness and education about the environment. Last spring the BEC began as a subsidiary of the Bates Outing Club. Since then it has gained wider support among Bates students and has undertaken major tasks to spread the environmental vision.

The Anti-Whaling Campaign, aimed at Iceland's whaling industry, represented the most outstanding effort of the early beginnings. A protest was staged against Icelandic fish last March in Lewiston, which gained state-wide recognition.

The petitions signed at Bates, along with those signed all over the United States, contributed to Iceland's subsequent halt in whaling.

This fall, the BEC has continued its efforts. Many attended the "Earth First!" presentation, for example. The BEC also brought Mary Beth Nearing to campus, who taught Civil Disobedience, a workshop designed to more effectively organize mass actions.

In addition, the BEC offered petitions to be signed by students outside com-

mons in support of the Global Warming Prevention Act, which supports legislation to reduce the rate of global warming.

Presently, Bates is in the middle of the "Bates College Environmental Aware-

Margie Austell

ness Month", during which the BEC sponsors speakers, films and entertainments such as a pub and a coffeehouse (Nov. 3).

While the month's activities emphasize rain forest preservation, they will also offer presentations on the Global Climate change, and the Prince William Sound Oil Spill. The Anti-Whaling campaign continues, too, with a petition against Japan, as directed by Greenpeace.

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The BEC also coordinates a number of other projects. In collaboration with a future student-faculty committee for recycling, they will establish campus-wide recycling. There are already recycling bins by our mailboxes, and the BEC is hoping to have bins in dorms and barrels in the computer center soon.

Petition signing and letter writing will

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Trash behind maintenance building. Marlan Proctor photo.

Get Involved With The Environment

"Think Globally, Act Locally" - Abby Hoffman

There are so many problems with the environment these days it's overwhelming. After reading an article on rain forest destruction, or the Prince William Sound oil spill, the usual responses are "Boycott Exxon" or "Well, what can I do?"

The problems are a little complex to just boycott every company that does something wrong. If humankind is to make it in this world another few hundred years, all of us, yes that includes YOU, must change our lifestyles. The Government is elected by us. Companies react to a market, we are that market.

John Garesche

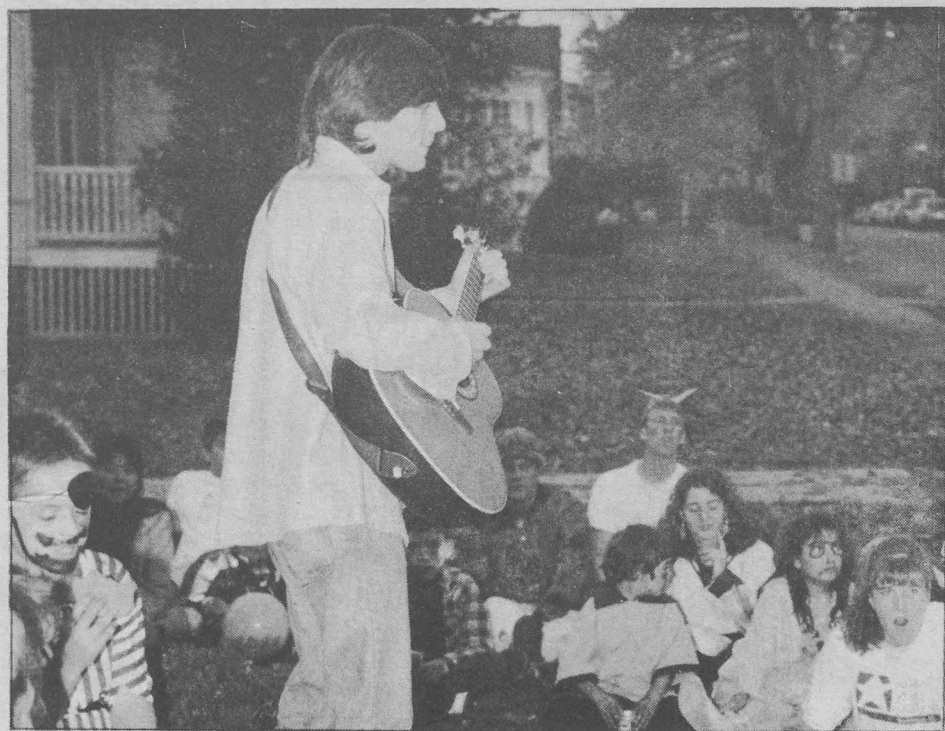
There are many opportunities to get involved on many levels: personally, within the community, and on national and global issues. First, everyone must set priorities. If you must choose, it's best to start small, then move up to the community and then to national issues. Believe in NIABY (Not In Anyone's Back Yard).

The most important part is to start to learn about the problems; the more I have learned the more I find out I don't yet know. This is a never ending process. Issues change and the more everyone knows about them the sooner the problem will be resolved.

The next most important thing is to talk about the problems with everyone:

let everyone know! Then, start practicing the conservation practices they taught everyone during the energy

of paper; use scrap paper instead of new sheets or note pads; Reuse, Repair, Resell, and then Recycle; Recycle all your



John Garesche '92, an environmental studies major. Margie Byrd photo.

crunch in the Seventies.

To refresh your memories: turn off the lights when they are not in use; take shorter showers - or at least turn the water off when soaping up; walk or bike instead of driving; use two sides of a sheet

paper, aluminum, and glass; avoid "disposables"; learn about socially responsible companies; buy a living Christmas tree.

This list could go on forever, but I'll move on. The next level is just your atti-

tude around friends. Tell them not to throw their cigarette butts on the ground, or the gum wrapper, or whatever. Let your views be known. Careful not to be annoying, just use peer pressure. It's amazingly effective.

If you want to get involved beyond this, the best thing is to start in the community where your voice has more weight. Get recycling going in your dorm, collect all paper and cans (deposit and Non deposit - they both are recyclable), and glass, too. Advertise environmental actions and happenings.

If you are really aggressive, organize a protest or something for Earth Day 1990 the twentieth anniversary (April 22, 1990 and the rest of short term). There are lots of opportunities.

On larger levels, groups like Greenpeace and the Sierra Club are always looking for supporters. Not all groups need money. There is one network, The Global Action Network, which only wants people to write letters. There are hundreds of organizations out there and they all could use some encouragement. The most important aspect of working on this level is knowing about all the issues. The gist of it is GET INVOLVED! Do something, and learn about the planet. There's a lot to be done, and hey,

GOOD PLANETS ARE HARD TO FIND! □

An interdisciplinary Environment major John Garesche also helps lead the Bates Environmental Committee.

Bates Makes Effort To Recycle Wasted Material

by Evan Silverman

In an attempt to deal with the immense amounts of wasted paper produced in and around Bates, some very resourceful members of the community are helping to recycle our community's trash.

Every Bates student has at one time or another come in to contact with the four brown and white plastic bins in front of the mailboxes in Chase Hall.

However, most don't realize that two weeks worth of collections from those bins and the paper used by Lane Hall offices add up to a tremendous amount of recyclable material. To date this semester, the school has shipped off over one and 1/4 tons of paper for recycling.

John Garesche '92, and Rich Taylor '91 realized that most of the school's paper was used once and then thrown away. In response, they began the campaign to recycle some of the school's paper. The two decided to save and sort the various paper and then sell it to a recycling company in Lewiston.

The paper is separated into three loads: computer, white, and mixed. The loads sell for \$250, \$40, and \$5 respectively per ton—although prices do vary.

The Great Northern Recycling picks them up every other Wednesday. Currently, Bates recycles on a non-profit basis, but Garesche hopes that in two or three years the school will profit from its environmentally sound program.

Garesche also takes an active role in the establishment of a student-faculty committee that will try to implement recycling programs targeting all campus offices and buildings. The committee is expected to take shape within the next two weeks.

In Lewiston, Stacey Gottlieb does her part with recycling. Gottlieb, the wife of Bates professor Steven Dillon, collects plastic or brown paper bags from the front of residences houses each Tuesday. The bags consist of trash containing newspapers, cleaned plastic containers, and mixed papers—including cardboard



Unrecycled waste in the Lewiston Landfill. Steve Peters photo.

boxes.

Unfortunately, however, Gottlieb only operates on a small-scale basis, because she faces limits as only one individual, and Lewiston has no facility that will gladly accept the type of trash she brings. Currently, she brings the trash she collects to Great Northern, like Garesche, but the owner, Peter Bolduc, has said in the past it would be unfeasible for him to accept the community's waste on

a larger scale.

"The stuff Stacey's bringing in is a headache and a bother." He accepts her bags simply out of a sense of social responsibility.

Gottlieb admits her efforts have only "a tiny effect," but she points out that her work helps increase public awareness on recycling. "What I do is an educational thing," she says.

She hopes that she will have some ef-

fect in swaying people to develop a recycling center in Lewiston to help the community. "My main drum that I have to beat is that it is tragic there is not a resource in the Lewiston-Auburn area to facilitate recycling."

So, while the Bates-Lewiston community slowly moves towards recycling to a greater degree, Garesche and Gottlieb will continue to do their part to help the area. They hope that others will join their crusade. □

Environmental Calendar

Friday November 3:

9:00PM at Skeleton Lounge, Chase Hall
A Rainforest Awareness Coffeeshouse featuring Bates Artist. Free and Open to the public, donations accepted.

Monday, November 6:

7:30 PM in Room 204, Carnegie Science Hall
Thomas Wenzel and Eric Wollman, both Associate Professors of Chemistry at Bates, will discuss "Global Warming: Its Nature And Origins." Free and open to the public.

Wednesday, November 8:

7:30 PM in Room 113, Carnegie Science Hall
Sharon Kinsman, Assistant Professor of Biology, will talk on the "Unforgivable Foil: The Loss of Tropical Rainforests." Free and Open to the public.

Thursday, November 9:

7:30 PM in Room 204, Carnegie Science Hall
Kenneth Gordon, Commissioner of the Maine Public Utilities Commission will discuss "Policy Implications of Global Warming." Free and Open to the public.

Monday, November 13:

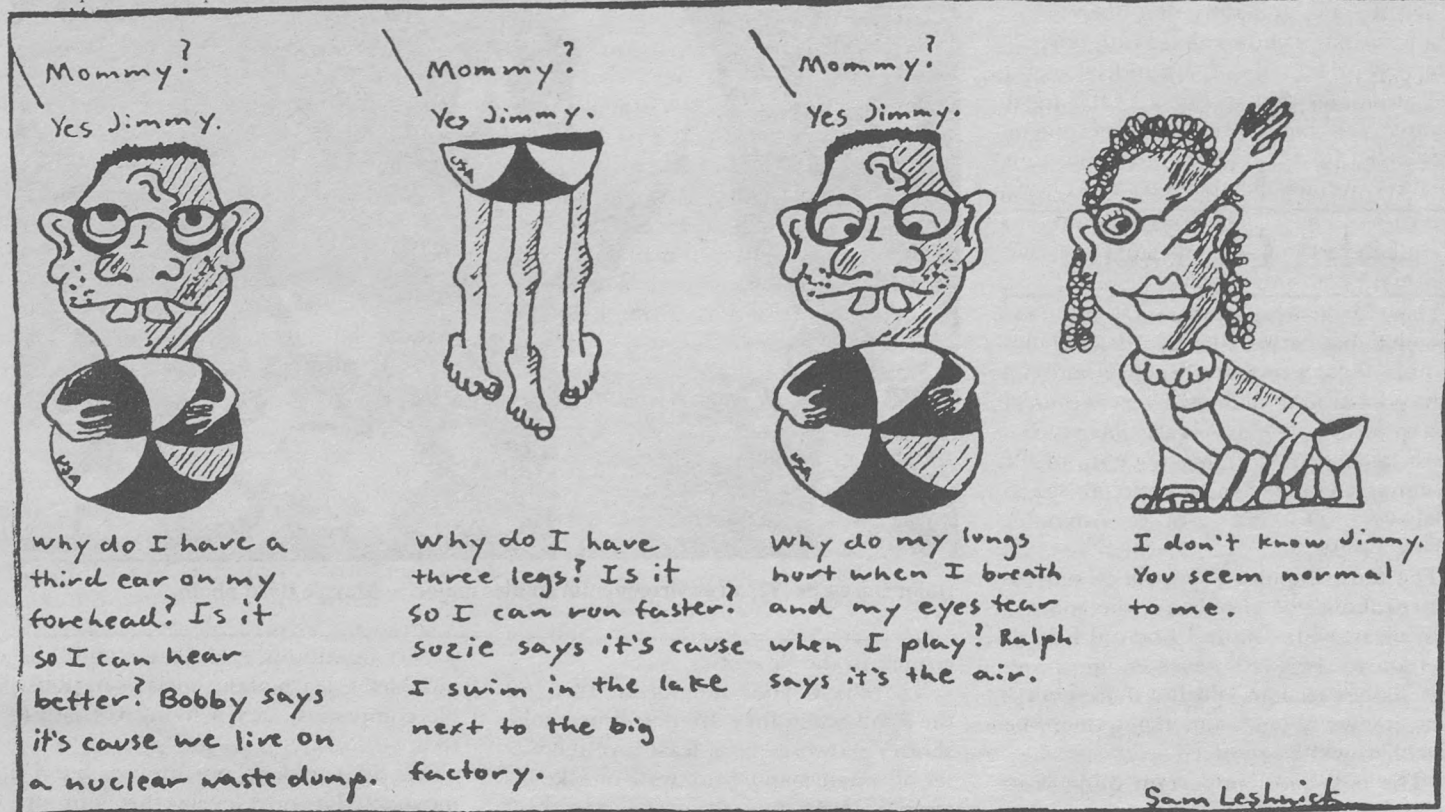
8:00PM in Olin Arts Center Concert Hall
F. Sherwood Rowland, chemist who discovered the effects of CFC's on the Ozone layer, will discuss "Our Threatened Atmosphere; Ozone Depletion and the Greenhouse Effect." Free and open to the public.

Wednesday, November 15:

7:30 PM in Chase Lounge, Chase Hall
Fredericka Ott, Ph.D., resident of Cordova Alaska, will talk on "The Prince William Sound Oil Spill: Accidental or Symptomatic?" Free and open to the public.

Thursday, November 16:

7:00 PM in Room 113, Carnegie Science Hall
Karin Tilberg, director of advocacy for the Maine Audubon Society, will discuss "Exercising the Imagination: Law and Environmental Geology." Free and open to the public. □



Retelle Warns Bates About Greenhouse Effect

by Mark Freeman

As part of next week's "Global Warming Week" organized nationally by the Union of Concerned Scientists of the Environmental Federation of America, Bates College sponsors a series of lectures on the topic of global warming. Mike Retelle, assistant professor geology, introduced the topic last Wednesday in a lecture entitled, "Global Climate Change."

The alarming predictions cited by scientists made front page news during the record breaking heat and drought of the summer of '88. The most dramatic examples include a global temperature rise of nine degrees and a sea level rise of one to three feet by the year 2050—causing mass extinction of slow-to-adapt species,—an increase in severity of hurricanes, and a major change in global weather patterns wreaking havoc with agriculture worldwide.

Retelle said, "Some scientists go out on a limb and say that (the unusual summer of '88) marked the beginning of the global warming . . ." He noted that others choose a more conservative explanation, attributing yearly fluctuations to natural climate cycles.

Ellesmere Island, in Northern Canada, provided a research ground for Retelle in his study of climatic change. He noted that "if you want to achieve an accurate record of climatic change, you have to do such detailed studies."

Retelle examines sediment cores retrieved from the lake bottom. Each layer of sediment deposited on the lake bottom represents a year's worth of deposition, and records the climate conditions of that year. By examining the layers, Retelle can determine general climate changes.

Many natural factors cause fluctuation in earthly climate: the eccentricity of the earth's orbit, the tilt of its axis, plate tectonics, and the volcanic events occurring on its surface. The unnatural, human influence on global climate change is most alarming because it causes ever-increasing change towards increasing warmth.

Many believe that global warming results from the increase of CO₂ in the atmosphere, because the increase in atmospheric CO₂ correlates so closely with the recent increase in global temperature. Retelle said, "CO₂ shows a rise from 1860 into the 1980's and parallel to this you see rising temperatures."

Retelle cited a controversy as to whether the rise in CO₂ levels causes the temperature to rise or the temperature rise causes the rise in CO₂ levels. Retelle said, "Some people debate whether CO₂ is controlling the temperature rise, or is the tail wagging the dog? . . . but there is quite a bit of evidence for the increase in CO₂ causing the temperature rise."

Many look upon the widespread burning of fossil fuels in the process of world industrialization as the cause of the increase in atmospheric CO₂ over the last 100 years.

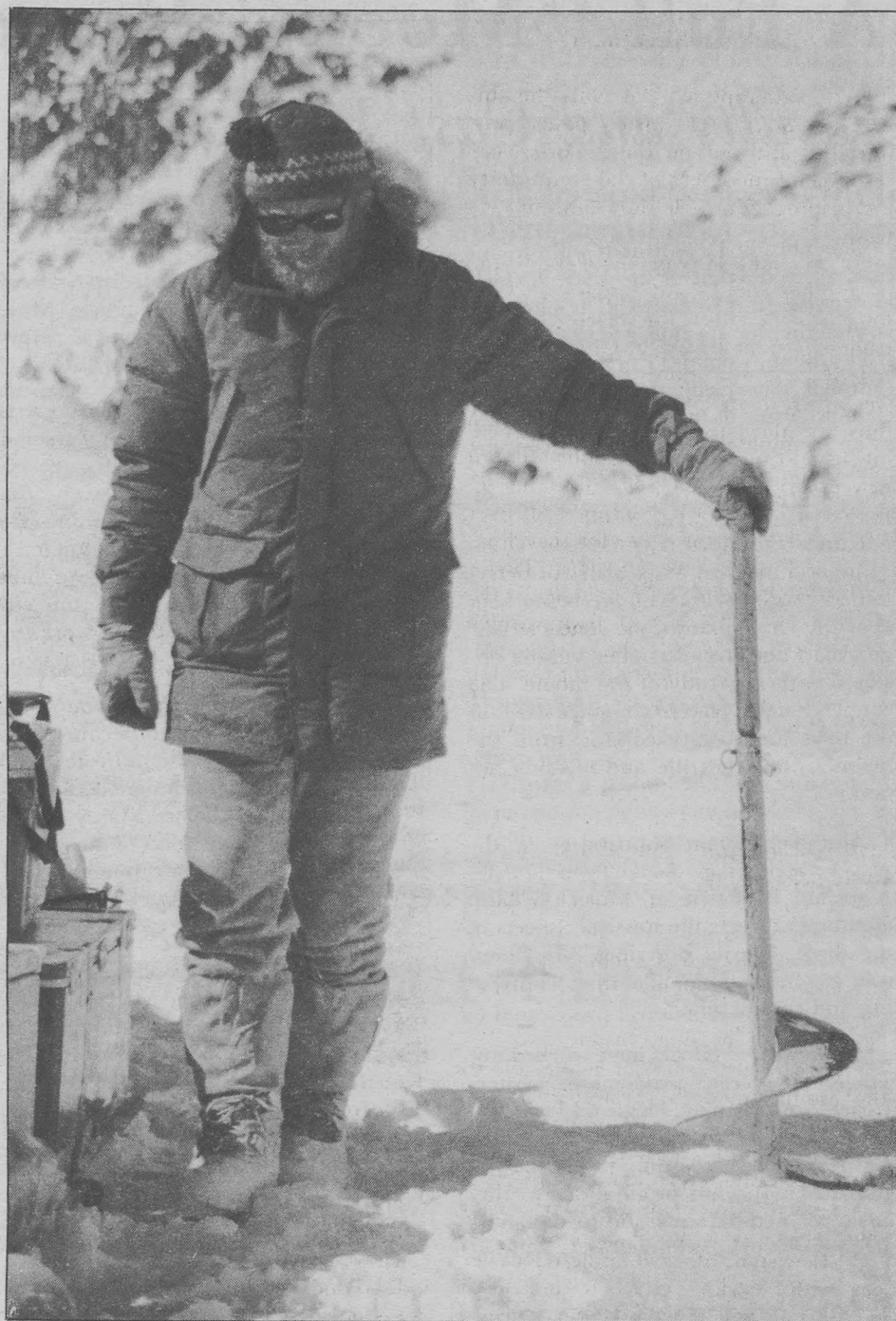
Deforestation also contributes to the amount of atmospheric CO₂, because the world's forests play a major role in the consumption of CO₂ through photosynthesis. The increasing presence of Chlorofluorocarbons in the atmosphere represents another, less significant cause.

"As a result of increasing CO₂ levels in the atmosphere, the outgoing long-wave radiation (heat) is kept in producing a warmer climate," said Retelle, describing the much discussed "greenhouse effect."

"The industrial age's injection of materials into the upper atmosphere, primarily CO₂, is the most obvious of the Greenhouse Effect gases," said Retelle, though he noted methane as a secondary one.

Methane exists in great quantities in gas bubbles in polar ice, and when this ice melts as a result of increasing global temperatures, it releases the gas into the atmosphere, where it contributes to global warming.

Retelle commented that the in studying the increase in global temperature over the last 100 years, one can not rule out natural fluctuation as a cause, yet. Some scientists say it is, while some say it is "still too early to tell."



Assistant Professor of Geology Michael Retelle on Baffin Island, NWT, Canada. Steve Peters photo.

Even the most conservative estimates of the magnitude of global warming, such as a half a degree increase per century, remain as much as 10-20 times less than the greatest possible increase caused by natural fluctuations, thereby

rendering them insignificant influences on the earth's climate. Seasonal fluctuations will remain, but the greenhouse effect will assume control of longer term fluctuations, like ice ages. □

Students Push for Environmental Major

by Dan Cantor

Many Bates students share an interest in interdisciplinary studies in the environmental sciences. The various science departments, in an effort to promote such interests, encourage studies within the present guidelines of the Bates Handbook.

According to Mike Retelle, assistant professor of geology, environmental studies "brings people together who wouldn't normally work together."

There are numerous paths to take, and these paths involve many departments. At Bowdoin and Williams College, environmental studies encompass all of the sciences, philosophy, economics, and political science. Professor Retelle would like to have similar participation at Bates.

The number of interdisciplinary majors in environmental studies at Bates is rapidly growing. Bates supports and funds faculty research and encourages high levels of student research.

Last short term, Professor Retelle ran a program in the Canadian arctic studying climate changes. He remained there over the summer with two students.

Sharon Kinsman, a plant ecologist and assistant professor of biology, promotes preservation and education in the rain forests of Costa Rica. She too led a short term and stayed on through the summer.

Environmental studies also take place in local regions such as Lake Auburn and the Bates-Morse Mountain Coastal Research Area. Dyk Eusden, assistant professor of geology, currently teaches a course entitled environmental geology. Among other things, his class investigates if phosphates are entering Lake Auburn from chemically fertilized strawberry fields.

One senior's thesis requires research at the Bates-Morse site. This area contains an "undisturbed, well developed dune system, a salt marsh, a barrier beach, and a coastal forest. Investigations involve the rise in sea level and its effect on vegetation."

Other research projects include understanding the effects of paper mills on the river and the effects of acid rain on plants which stabilize the dune system.

The magnitude of environmental studies increases rapidly. Even non-science majors find themselves exposed to

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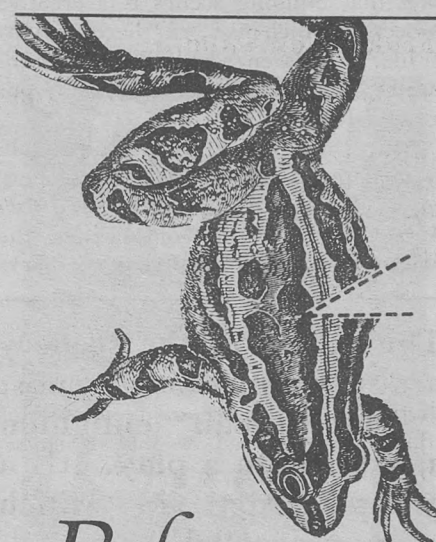
always be important aspects of the BEC, since people's support remains the key to emphasizing environmental issues. Fund raising for the BEC includes bake sales and recycled-paper stationery sales, among other projects.

The BEC is a close ally to Sharon Kinsman, Assistant Professor of Biology here at Bates, who has put extensive effort into working for the preservation of rain forests, and spreading education about them.

Following presentations she gave in Sweden in 1987, an association called "Barnens Regnskog", Swedish for "Children's Rain Forest" grew rapidly, raising as much as \$100,000 for preservation of rain forests in Costa Rica. (Professor Kinsman will be giving a talk on Nov. 8 at 7:30 in 113 Carnegie.)

The goals and aspirations of the BEC mainly include increasing awareness and understanding about the environment in which we live. The BEC also hopes to illustrate that everyone's support, great or small, can make a substantial difference.

Merely urging people to learn about the issues can widen their perspectives. The BEC believes the earth is ours to inherit, and it depends on us, our generation, to determine the richness or weakness with which it is passed on to its, and our, heirs. □



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Arts & Entertainment

A Full "Moon" Farce Rises This Weekend

Faculty and Cast Pool Talents in "Emperor of the Moon"

by Isabel Roche

The Theater Department will present its first production of the year, *Emperor of the Moon*, this weekend. The play was written in the seventeenth century by Aphra Behn, England's first female professional playwright. Paul Kuritz, associate professor of theater, chose the play as an example of "seventeenth century musical theater" in accordance with his Theater 210 class.

Kuritz describes *The Emperor of the Moon* as a story of "two pairs of determined young lovers who are being kept apart by Dr. Baliardo, the young ladies' guardian and a philosopher who is obsessed with the study of the moon. The couples hatch a plan to convince her that the boys are royalty coming from the moon"; thus the title and ensuing action.

Abundant talent contributes to the play's production. Aside from Kuritz, Associate Professor of Music William Matthews directs the musical aspects of the farce. Kuritz describes Matthews' role as "arranging, adapting, composing and conducting."

Matthews and Kuritz have worked together on several productions. After Kuritz chose the play, he gave Matthews the script with indications of where music was needed. According to Matthews, who then wrote an original score, the music is "neo-baroque and in the style of composer Henry Purcell."

A student chamber ensemble consisting of violinist Michaela Harkins '92, cellist Katherine Kretz '90, oboist Amy Moran '90, and harpsichordist Andrew Kaiser '89 will perform the music. Matthews modeled the ensemble as a "typical seventeenth century group."

Guest artist Chyi Wen Yang created the set's Renaissance look. A personal friend of Kuritz for the past five years, Yang is the first professor of scene design ever in Taiwan. He is spending this year as a visiting faculty member at Yale University. Kuritz contacted Yang during the summer and invited him to come, giving them a chance to work together.

The production of *The Emperor of the Moon* also involves three other members of the department. Assistant Professor of Theater Susan Rugg designed the costumes, Lecturer in Dance Marcy Plavin choreographed movements of the actors, and Theater Technician James Casey created the lighting design.

The cast includes students Meagan Burrichter '91, Daria Balling '92, Rachael Hatt '93, Jennifer Miercourt '93, Tracy Clark '93, Jennifer Mitchell '93, Joseph Osheroff '93, Lance Rozear '93, Robert Meyer '90, Keith Nordstrom '93, Jon McLaughlin '91, and Daniel Blum '91.

According to cast member Daria Balling '92, *The Emperor of the Moon* will be "very funny so that people will be able to understand the complex plot." □



"Emperor of the Moon" actors prepare for tonight's opening. Steve Peters photo.

"Emperor" Uses Talents of Guest Set Designer

by Bob Parks

Working on the scenes for the upcoming production of *Emperor of the Moon*, scene designer Chyi Wen Yang has gotten paint all over his black pants. He says that building scenes is a creative process in which his work "becomes part of life." The scenes he builds are essential to the energy of a play, his backdrops a part of the acting.

Yang has worked with students in Schaeffer Theater to get the scenery ready for the first night of *Emperor of the Moon*. The sets are complicated; the work ranges from hanging large back-

The means of the scenery are its most exciting ends: "Scenery can enlighten and build to a play. It's a group design in which everyone collaborates." - Chyi Wen Yang, set designer

drops from the flies to making little props like the detailed model of a lute. The scenes occur in a garden, a street, and a balcony. They have striven to make all historically accurate to Italy in the late Baroque period.

The set is a prodigious challenge to the student builders, but Yang stresses that it is also a tremendous learning experience. Vicki Simon '93, the set manager, says, "Next time we'll have the techniques that Chyi taught. In the next

production for example, we can paint without supervision of the designer."

Yang's main concern is to teach his craft, to leave a legacy of expertise. His student helpers work in the set shop and/or take the Scene Design course. Yang discovers a bigger thrill in building in itself than in seeing the finished product. The means of the scenery are its most exciting ends: "Scenery can enlighten and build to a play. It's a group design in which everyone collaborates."

Although every scene is historically accurate, Yang has an ostensible role in the action through his art. In *Emperor of the Moon*, Yang said he wants each scene to reflect on the others. No scene should be so bold as to be obtrusive to the whole, but rather scenery should act as a supporting actor with energy all to itself.

Emperor of the Moon as a farce is apt to have clever twists. When Yang watched the rehearsals to get ideas, he saw that one actor brings a chest to center stage. Yang thought of a way to integrate a stool into the chest that the actor can pull out and sit on.

When you see the play, look for Yang's many creative helps in the production. Yang preforms as the unseen player, a man behind the scenes in more than one sense; he is a master of improvisation using wood, nails and paint.

Yang's skills draw from two distinct sides of his education. Originally, Yang received his Master's degree in Architectural Design from Ball State University in Muncie, Indiana. Then as his ardor for the stage grew from just a few theater courses, he added a second degree, Master of Arts and Theater. He went on to receive a MFA in scene de-

sign from Indiana University.

At Indiana, Yang met Paul Kuritz who was a visiting director there. Their

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meeting engendered a fertile working relationship over the years as Director and Scene Designer. *Emperor of the Moon* is the latest example of this auspicious teaming.

Kuritz asked Yang to work with him

last July. He brought not only the script of *Emperor of the Moon* to Yang, but ideas and sources for further research as well. According to Yang, his favorite director helps him get a sense of the play, but still gives him plenty of freedom to pursue his own vision of the production.

Yang also worked in Bates' Summer Theater Festival in 1985 on the production of Martin Andrucci's *Mobil Home* and the play *Dandelion*. He now lives in New Haven, Connecticut with a grant to research architecture in theater at Yale. Yang, though, is anxious to return to his home in Taiwan. There, he has taught scene design and consulted in theater. In Taiwan, theater is not as big as in America, but Yang is sanguine about its future. He is full of fresh insight to work on Taiwanese theater as the actor behind the scenes. □

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A Young Author Confronts Japanese Culture

by Daniel Boylan

Bicycle Days
by John Burnham Schwartz
Summit Books, 1989

This summer I had the opportunity to live in Japan. Having romantic motives to remain for as long as possible, I did indeed stay for a healthy three months. My interest in Japan was strong and my trip only intensified my passion to learn

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more. When I arrived back in the states in late August I found that my father had also taken an interest in the Orient and had proceeded to clip, rip out, copy, or buy any literature that had to do with my excursion. I proceeded to take this mass quantity of clippings, in their tattered cardboard box, to the lovely Bates College campus.

From amidst this rubble emerged John Burnham Schwartz's new Novel *Bicycle Days*. And from that book came this review.

Bicycle Days is another book about a youth coming of age. Have we not heard this story before? Indeed we have, but *Bicycle Days* takes an international approach to the topic. The protagonist,

Alec Stern, a recent graduate of Yale University, finds himself travelling to Japan where he has a job with a computer firm. On arrival he is greeted by his host family whose knowledge of English is minimal and whose perception of the West is very strange.

The first half of the book looks at Alec's humorous encounters with the Japanese culture. Chapter six, entitled "Bristles," explains Alec's first haircut in Japan. His host father, a big corporate type, proceeds to take Alec to the "Barber shop where all of the company presidents get their hair cut." The universal crew cut is decided upon as being the cut of choice. Alec having no say in

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the decision and little courage to speak up ends up with a head full of bristles.

The second half of the book probes Alec Stern's youth, which he considers the cause of his present disillusionment. Schwartz illustrates this through his brother's arrival in Japan and, subse-

quently, the emergence of dialogue and thought pertaining to the brothers' troubled relations in their youth.

Alec also begins to have serious feelings about an older Japanese woman, Kiyoko. The difficulties that arise with Alec's past and with Kiyoko lead to Alec's gradual demise. He has a slight breakdown incident and is arrested by the police. The story gradually winds down with Alec saying goodbye to his host family and realizing that life is worth living.

Schwartz, himself a recent graduate from Harvard, spent a summer in Japan and apparently had the type of experience that is depicted in this novel. The book was written as his senior thesis at Harvard and Schwartz was encouraged to expand on it and send it to a publishing house. This is his first novel, and it shows. It is written in 40 short scene-like chapters, each slightly spilling over into the next. This style of firing the story to the reader in short bursts I find to be effective, but, as I said, they only slightly spill over. At the end of many of the chapters I felt myself groping for a final sentence that had a punch. I was left hanging too often.

I found this to be true also in the way that Schwartz goes about describing incidents within the book. Many of his

glances into his emotion-packed youth were over written. Some of his description destroyed images that I had been creating in my mind. He lacks the sub-

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tlety that is required to deliver the smooth last sentence or coy descriptive phrase.

However, I will recommend this book—because it is a first effort by a young writer, and maybe that's why it is interesting. Despite Schwartz's somewhat callow style it is indeed a breath of fresh air. Schwartz is young and the book jacket says that he has another book in the making, so this first endeavor may be the first step in the development of his style. Maybe subtlety will come with age.

I have a second recommendation. If your old man gives you an old beaten up carton of what is presumably crap—look through it, for it may have one or two breaths of fresh air still in it. □

Renaissance Film Shows Two Silent Films

by Stacey Cramp

Images of gears turning and steam belching from machine parts come immediately into contrast with a pleasure garden, where a young man chases a young woman around a fountain surrounded by tropical plants and birds.

These are the opening scenes of "Metropolis," a black and white silent film sponsored by the Renaissance Film Society. Fritz Lang's 1926 movie gives a futuristic vision of a city divided into an elite class and a working class. The workers labor under immense pressure in a cruel, depersonalized underworld. Above ground, the elite indulge in idle pleasures—completely unconcerned with the well-being of the workers.

The two worlds seem completely un-integrated, until Freder, the son of the

"Master of Metropolis," sees Maria, the daughter of one of the workers. Freder ventures below to the worker's world, and what he sees appalls him.

The incredibly expressive gestures and actions of the characters tell all we need to know in most scenes. The simple, direct, yet infrequent dialogue printed on the screen is all the conversation needed.

After Freder sees the workers toiling for hours on end, to the point of total exhaustion, he says to his father, "It was their hands that built this city of ours, father. But where do the hands belong in your scheme?" His father replies, "In their proper place — the depths." Brief sentences like these continually hit home the message of "Metropolis."

Freder exchanges identities with a worker, while his father does everything

possible to keep Maria, the worker's goddess-like organizer who preaches patience and peace, from helping the laborers. She tells the workers to wait for

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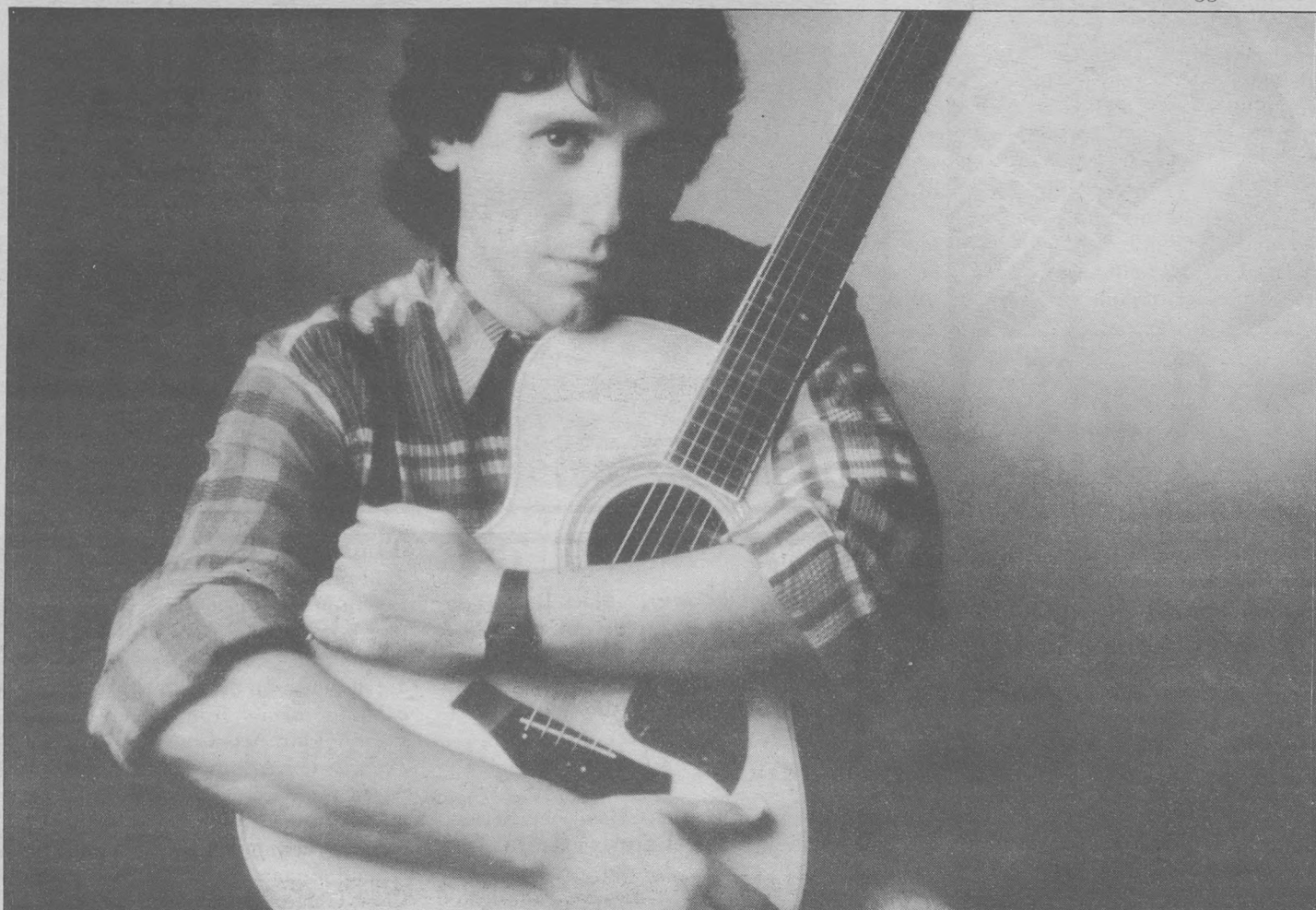
a mediator between the "mind that plans" and the "mind that builds." The movie is a quest for this savior. The search does not disappoint the viewer, nor does the touching outcome of this futuristic vision of the struggle between

management and labor.

The second film's plot is the opposite of the first's straightforward approach. "Un Chien Andalou," a twenty minute black and white avant-garde film directed by Salvador Dali and Louis Bun-guel, has no discernable plot.

The film highlights grotesque scenes such as ants crawling out of a hole in a man's hand and a man and woman looking out a window eagerly, as a woman gets squashed by a car. The notes of time on the bottom of the screen—3 a.m., 16 years ago, in the spring—only serve to confuse the viewer more. Yet, perhaps, part of the beauty of this silent film lies in its lack of reason. You're imagination can do with it what it likes. □

The Silent Film Double Feature will be shown tonight in Olin 104 at 7:00 p.m.



Italian guitarist Peppino D'Agostino performs in Olin tonight. News Bureau photo.

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The Pogues Continue the Punk-Irish Tradition

by Steve Gensemer

The Pogues
"Peace and Love"
 Island Records

The Pogues' newest release would be bizarre even if there weren't a record inside. The cover is a photo of a boxer with six fingers on one hand. The liner is graced by a collage so wacked that it

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makes the *Sgt. Pepper's* cover look like my dorm room.

The content is equally stunning. Since their phenomenal *If I Should Fall from Grace With God* in 1987, Ireland's bad boys have thankfully lost none of their rage. The band, however, no longer belongs solely to lead singer/songwriter Shane MacGowan, whose growling punk-spit singing and lyrics dominated much of *If I Should Fall*. The songs here came from five of the eight members of the band, with MacGowan singing only six of the thirteen tracks.

If U2 is Ireland's Beatles, then the Pogues are its Sex Pistols. Their unique fusion of traditional Irish folk music and punk rock distinguish them immediately from any other sound you have ever heard. They sound a bit like Steelye Span on PCP, if you can imagine that. They never used electric instruments until *Peace and Love*, relying solely on acoustic guitars, mandolins, accordions, drums, tin whistles and horn sections. The strains of electric guitars can be heard now, but the band has easily retained its raw, gut-wrenching sound, refusing to be smoothed out by the computerization that seems to have all but neutralized U2's once-rebellious sound.

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Their fourth album's wildest tracks—the instrumental opener "Gridlock" (apparently in honor of the victims of a British football riot), the frolicking bar-room-ballad "Gartonly Rats", and the

Lou Reedesque "Cotton Fields"—are dominated by MacGowan, and are as uncontrolled as anything I have heard since their last album.

The best of the punk-folk tracks, however, is the horribly angry "Young Ned of the Hill", a tribute to one of Ireland's most hated enemies: "A curse upon you Oliver Cromwell / You who raped our motherland / I hope you're rotting down in hell / For the horrors that you sent"; Terry Woods' lyrics scream of a national anger that Bono has proven far too self-righteous to ever express.

The album is also graced with actual ballads, and some damned good ones at that. "Lorelei" is the best, straight out of the Irish folk tradition: "But if my ship, which sails tomorrow / Should crash against these rocks / My sorrows I will drown before I die / It's you I'll see, not Lorelei."

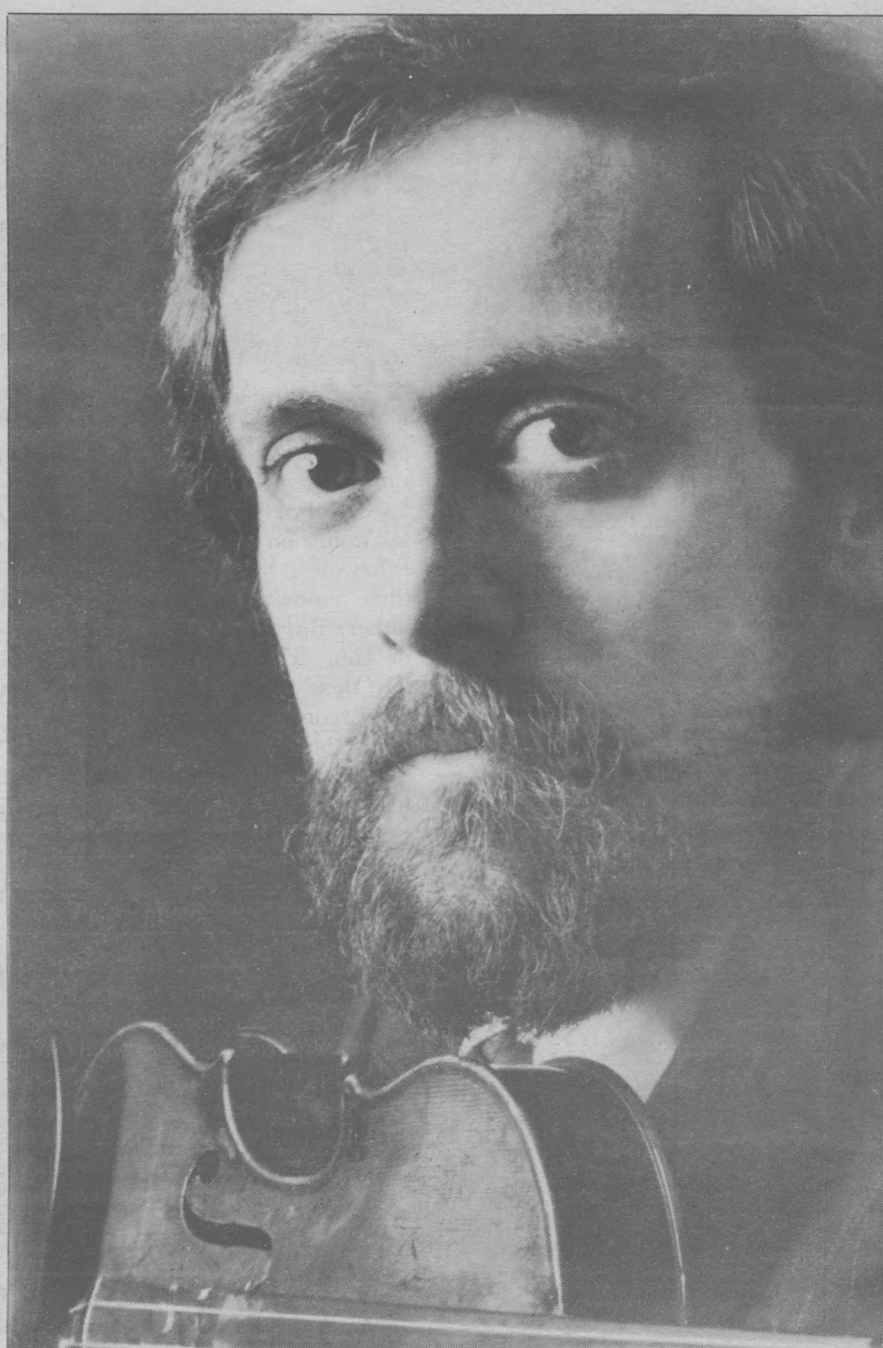
The album tends to turn the traditional world of songwriting on its head. Everything you think is ugly, is beautiful, everything you think is beautiful, is actually grotesque. Indeed, it totters on the edge of insanity, but the band's abil-

ity to collaborate, their use of the folk tradition, and their sense of humor seem sure to keep them lively and away from the rut of numbing boredom that so

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many of their British counterparts have fallen into.

The last track, "London You're a Lady", brings a note of hope, albeit from a strange place: "September is your purgatory / Christmas is your heaven / And when the stinking streets of summer / Are washed away by rain / At the dark end of a lonely street / That's where you lose your pain / 'Tis then your eyes light up my love / And sparkle once again." □



Guitarist David Starobin (left) and violinist Benjamin Hudson (right). News Bureau photo.

Art Events

Friday

7:00 p.m. *Silent Film Double Feature*, the Renaissance Film Festival sponsors showings of "Metropolis" and "Un Chien Andalou". Additional showings Sat. and Sun., same time. Olin 104 \$1

7:30 p.m. *Concert*, Italian Guitar Virtuoso and singer Peppino D'Agostino performs his unique blend of folk, jazz and Latin music. Olin Concert Hall \$5/\$3

8:00 p.m. *Emperor of the Moon*, a Restoration farce directed by Paul Kuritz, with original music by William Matthews, and scene design by Chyi Wen Yang. Additional performances Nov. 4, 10, 11 at 8:00 p.m. and Nov. 5 and 12 at 2:00 p.m. Call 786-6161 for reservations. Schaeffer Theater \$4/\$2

Saturday

8:00 p.m. *Concert*, the Bates Concert Series presents classical guitarist David Starobin and violinist Benjamin Hudson, performing works of the 18th century. Call 786-6135 for reservations. Olin Concert Hall \$8/\$5

Monday

7:00 p.m. *Film Series*, "Black Images on the Silver Screen", a series of 1920's and 30's feature films by black movie-makers. Tonight's feature will be announced. Series shown through Nov. 11 Olin 104

Tuesday

12:30 p.m. *Noonday Concert*, the Series presents soprano Carmen Nadeau, a member of the secretarial-services staff, in a performance of favorite American spirituals, accompanied by Mark Howard. Olin Concert Hall

Thursday

7:30 p.m. *Lecture*, New York artist and Lewiston native Charles Hewitt will present a slide-illustrated discussion of his paintings and prints, some of which are displayed in the Olin Museum of Art exhibit "Prints from the Vinalhaven Press". Olin Arts Center

Portland Concert, the Portland Concert Association presents noted pianist Vladimir Feltsman, performing Bach's Chaconne in D minor, Mozart's Sonata No. 8, and Sonata in B minor by Franz Liszt. Call the PCA at 772-8630 for reservations. Portland City Hall Auditorium \$9-\$25

Letters to the Editor

Blast From the Past

To the Editor:

I am enclosing a check for \$5.00 and ask that you send me a copy of the September 22, 1989 issue of the Bates Student. Put anything left over from this check into your petty cash. A friend has sent me one copy of the paper because it contains a picture of me on the back

page. While it is appalling to recognize that I am an example of what Bates students used to look like in the old days (I mean, think about it—to be archived!), at least I need to send a copy of the paper to the other guy in the picture.

Cordially,
W. Harry Marsden '67



Incident Explained

To the Editor:

At this time, we are sure that everyone has heard stories concerning the altercations that occurred during the Halloween party last Saturday night. On behalf of the Afro-American Society, and the perspective minority students that were visiting last weekend, we would like to identify the initiators of this unfortunate incident.

The young men that were involved in the Halloween skirmish were members of the United States Naval Base located in Brunswick, Maine. Since these men were black, Bates students understandably mistook these men for the perspective, minority students.

These individuals were random intruders that had no association with any of the black people at this school. The members of Afro-Am were only involved in these disputes as mediators to inhibit any further escalation of violence.

Thank you,
Bobby Mischler and Norman Williams

Archives Valuable Resource

To the Editor:

I would like to point out an error in the 'man-on-the-street' interview this week. My picture was captioned incorrectly. The quote under my picture was attributed to Beth Blanchard, '90.

My opinion of the Muskie Archives is quite the opposite of Beth's. I feel that the Muskie Archives provide Bates College with a certain level of public exposure it might not otherwise have. People involved in political science will, with every big-name event held there, come to associate it with the school. The Muskie Archives are, then, an effective public-relations tool. I would encourage my fellow students to walk over during open hours and see what it is they are skeptical about; they might actually learn something from it.

Sincerely,
Tina Brickley

Don't Waste Your Time

October break had ended, I'd just finished my first Commons meal in five days and was headed down to the mailroom to collect the numerous letters I'd undoubtedly received during the week away. Sure enough, windtunnel 745's typical aerodynamic properties were disturbed by the following:

Dear Derek:

I have received a report that a chair from the ground floor lounge has been located in your room. In as much as the furniture within any common area of a dormitory is so placed for the general use and comfort of every resident and not for the personal appropriation by one or two individuals, I would advise you to return the chair immediately. Otherwise, I will be forced to take disciplinary action.

Please return the chair by 8:00 a.m. on October 21st.

Sincerely,
Celeste Branham
Dean of Students

After licking my finger and putting it to the signature, causing it to run, and marveling over the fact that I merited a personally signed letter, I pondered the most prudent form of action. It was now well over thirty six hours past the imposed deadline and I faced impending disciplinary action.

Recovering from the initial shock, I followed what seemed to be the only option open to a dignified Batsie. I rushed down to K-Mart and purchased a 8 & 1/

2 by 11 inch picture frame to properly display my letter. Eventually that night I did return the chair to the hallway from where it had been appropriated so it could remain generally unused, somewhat uncomfortable and continue to pose a fire hazard.

As I write this now, it has been a week since I received the letter; and to my knowledge I have not been the subject of any disciplinary action. I can only assume I have slipped through the hands of justice.

Derek Tucker

Although I am not completely familiar with the duties of Dean of Students, I imagine they are many. In fact, previous to Sunday the 23rd I assumed they were numerous enough to keep two Deans busy for well over forty hours a week, so busy that one shouldn't have time to write threatening letters regarding relocated chairs. That's not to say threatening letters don't have their place—if the Deans receive a report that the President's car has been appropriated, such a letter seems appropriate, but for a chair?

Dean Branham, the next time you receive a report that an item of lounge furniture has been located in a students

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Advice to A New President

End Dominance of Pentagon

Almost thirty years ago President Eisenhower, a military man and Supreme Commander in World War II, in his remarkable farewell message to the nation warned that the greatest threat to our democracy was the "military-industrial complex." Today it is no longer a threat; it is a reality. It is no exaggeration to state that the Pentagon dominates the political and economic life of this nation.

The fact that Bates this month is playing host to men like Kissinger, Haig, Rogers, Rusk, and Vance—all willing partners in promoting the power and control of the "military-industrial complex" over this country—reveals the extent to which academic institutions are

becoming subservient to the military and its corporate henchmen.

I would suggest to President Harward that the true measure of his tenure at Bates will not be the millions of dollars he raises or the number of new buildings on campus. What will really count in measuring his contribution is whether or not the men and women who graduate during his presidency are, as a result of what they learn there, prepared to challenge the "military-industrial complex" in all its malevolent manifestations.

Sincerely,
Clive Knowles, '33
Mr. Knowles is a former editor of The Student.

Concentrate on Being The Best

Bates has a natural tendency to compare itself to other selective colleges and put an unhealthy priority on looking good rather than being the best we can possibly be. The hardest of your tasks to define is your role as a primary influence on our college's self image. We need to forget as much as possible Peterson's guide to universities and colleges and focus on building programs that will probably have more prestige on campus than off campus. In my view, volunteer programs have more influence on our mission than the Muskie archives ever will. Try not to support "glamour" projects

at the expense of necessary support services.

Sincerely,
Samuel P. Browning

The Student will periodically publish letters received concerning advice to President Harward. Letters must be typed, single-spaced. Letters must include the writer's name, address, and title or year of graduation. The newspaper will only print signed letters. All letters may be sent to box 309 or delivered to room 224 Chase Hall. The views expressed in such letters are the opinions of the writers and do not necessarily reflect those of The Student.

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Sports

Men's Cross-Country Continues To Impress

by Grace Murphy

The Men's Cross Country team upset several Division I teams to finish in a remarkable eighth place at the Open New England Championships Friday, Oct. 27 at Boston's Franklin Park. With only a 37 second gap between their first and fifth runners, the Bates harriers narrowly defeated rival Brandeis, 212 points to 237 points. This finish gave the team a number one Division III ranking and a high level of confidence. Boston University took first place at the meet, followed by Boston College, University of Connecticut, and four other Division I schools.

Leading Bates for the second straight week was co-captain David Weatherbie, '90 (30th place, 26:59). Bob Parks '92, running a season and career best, finished 35th in 27:05. Other scorers rounding out the top five were Mik. Clarke '91 (43rd, 27:16), Bob Sprague '92, (52nd, 27:27), and co-captain Matt Hays, '90 (58th, 27:36). Ian Shearer '90 finished 87th in 28:01, and Joe Sears '92 raced in to place 112th in 28:43. Coach Walt Slovensky remarked, "the 37 second gap is very important, it was key to their success." Friday's race proved the best race of the season thus far for the Bobcats.

Sporting a 20-2 record, having lost only to the Division I University of New Hampshire on two occasions, would make any team proud. The Bates men took it one step further and beat UNH this weekend, UNH finishing 10th with 269 points. Coach Slovensky points out "The big upset though was Brandeis." Bates, ranked 16th nationally, edged past third-ranked Brandeis.

Also running for Bates at Franklin Park on Friday were the junior varsity



Bates runners leading the pack at the State of Maine Championships, held at Bowdoin College. Clark Stevens photo.

members Jason Aldrich '93, Chris Sokolowski '90, Jason Yaffe '93, Steve Shea '93, Ira Bird '93, John Clarke '93, and John Leslie '93. Aldrich, Yaffe, Shea, Mark Thompson '91, Sokolowski, Parrish, and Bird will represent Bates Saturday November 4th at Colby in the

ECAC's. Slovensky admits "I'll be pleased to place in the top five."

The next challenge awaiting the varsity falls on November 11th when the National Division III Qualifiers will take place at Southeastern Massachusetts University. The top four finishers at this

meet will go on to the National Championships. The men will face Brandeis for the second time this season, and attempt to hold their number one New England position. □

Men's Soccer Takes CBB



Men's soccer ends the season as the CBB champs. File photo.

by Laura Sullivan

The Men's Soccer team defeated Bowdoin 2-1 in overtime Wednesday to claim the CBB crown. The team, who had already defeated Colby by a score of 3-1, created a happy ending for what had, thus far, been a frustrating season.

The first half of the game started off slowly for both teams. Bates seemed to have problems completing passes and playing together. Neither team was able to score until the second half. Bowdoin broke the deadlock with a goal by Dirk Asherman at 63:34.

Bates tied the score on a goal by Jose Freitas '91 at 84:48. Assisting on the play was freshman Russ Arnold. The

score would remain at 1-1 until the end of regulation time. The game then went to two 15-minute overtime periods.

The game might have ended in a tie had it not been for a stroke of luck. At the end of the first overtime period Bowdoin accidentally put the ball into their own net making the score 2-1 in favor of the Bobcats. The Bobcats were able to hold onto the lead for the rest of the game and come away with the victory and the CBB title.

Senior goalkeeper J.P. Fingado turned in another great performance for the Bobcats making 9 saves in 18 shots on goal.

The Bobcats finish out the season at 5-6-3, as the CBB champs. □

Volleyball Sweeps Ithaca Tournament

by Peter Carr

In trying to describe the Women's Volleyball team, one word comes to mind—unstoppable. With their latest sweep of the Ithaca College Tournament, Bates upped its record to 30-0 breaking the old Bates mark of 26 straight wins. At the moment, the Bobcats rank first in New England, second in the Northeast Region, and tenth in the nation for Division III schools—the first time ever a NESCAC school has ranked nationally in Volleyball.

Bates accomplished the unthinkable by trouncing all of the competition at Ithaca, the first time the Bobcats have played in the upstate New York area. Bates opened the tournament with a 15-3, 15-1 defeat of Ithaca and quickly moved through pool play. The Bobcats ran into a highly-ranked Eastern Connecticut State team in the semifinals and beat them 15-2, 15-13, the second game highlighted by a 5 point comeback. Bates put the tourney away and gained its 30th match victory by defeating Cortland, the number one team in New York, 15-13, 15-13.

"We played very well and earned the tough matches," said an elated Coach Marsha Graef. "We won the points when we needed to and forced errors

which took teams away from their game plans."

Breaking the record was also made possible by the sweep of the Eastern Connecticut State Tourney the previous weekend. Bates lost only two games all day, and dropped MIT 10-15, 15-8, 15-10 in a tough finals match.

"Our offense is running fine and is working to keep teams on the defense. When you can keep strong teams on the defensive all day, they never have the chance to get in any rhythm and that's why we have been having success against the big teams."

Coach Graef and the Bobcats have two goals for the remainder of the season. She would like to remain undefeated in Maine, which would entail beating UNE in the upcoming tri-match and winning the MAIAW Maine State Tournament. If that happens, Bates would be undefeated in the state two consecutive years and state champs five years running. Second, Graef looks to make a strong showing and maybe even host the ECAC Tournament which would feature competition from all over New England and the Northeast.

"We just can't let the success go to our heads," said co-captain Michele Feroah '90. "We have to stay focused against the Maine teams and keep playing hard." □

Football Crushed By Colby, 31-0

by Peter Carr

Saturday's football game against Colby was more than a loss. It was a disappointing embarrassment. Bates wasted opportunities all day and committed 8 turnovers in a 31-0 loss to the Mules. The Bobcats' record dropped to 0-6 with only two games left to stop the winless slide.

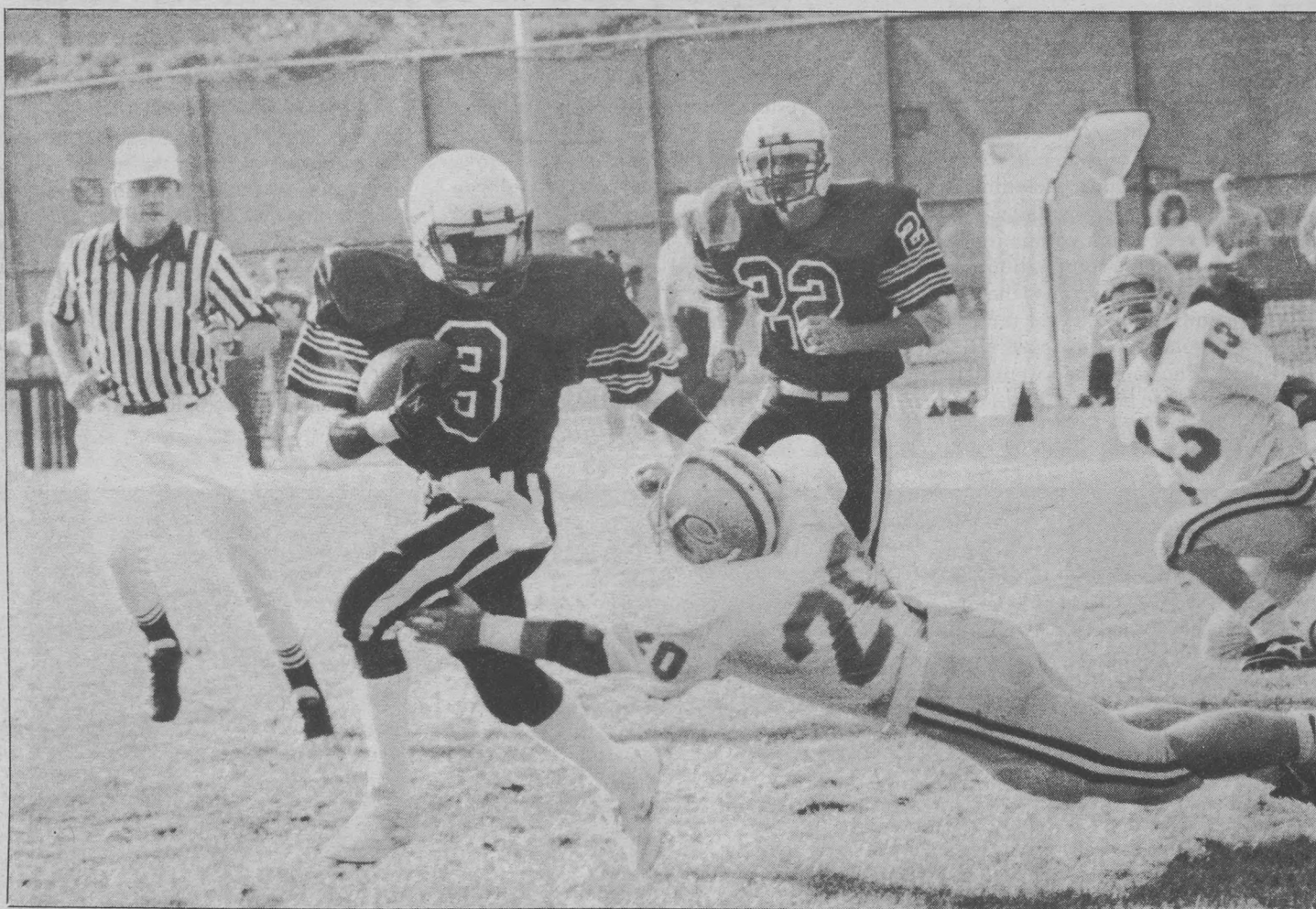
Unlike previous weekends, Bates did not even look good at the start of the game. After moving the ball to midfield on the game's first possession, tailback Jeff Bochenek '90 fumbled and Colby recovered at the Bobcat 39 yard line. The Mules wasted no time in taking advantage, scoring on 8 plays and a 13 yard touchdown scamper.

Colby scored again on its next possession to end the first quarter 14-0. But a play in the second quarter sealed the fate of the Bobcats. Bates started from their own 2 yard line after a Colby punt. Although backed up, Bates put together 5 first downs on 15 plays as they marched down the field looking to cut the score in half.

After the Bobcats attempted a pass play in the endzone on 3rd down and ten, Bates tossed a short screen pass for only 7 yards and the ball was lost to Colby on downs. The Mules then took the ball the other way and scored in 12 plays to make it 21-0 at half time.

The third quarter altogether lacked luster for both sides as punts and dropped passes became the rule. The Bobcat defense turned up the intensity in the opening drive of the 4th quarter. After driving inside the 10 for first and goal, Bates held its ground and forced Colby to take the field goal.

But that concluded quality play for the



Ike Stewart '92 evades Williams defense during the Alumni Weekend game. Steve Peters photo.

rest of the quarter. The Bobcats tallied 3 interceptions, 1 fumble, and a blocked punt—returned for a touchdown—before the final whistle.

On an individual basis, Bochenek provided a bright spot in the Bobcat backfield picking up 115 yards on 27 carries. Unfortunately, Bates only man-

aged 241 total yards to Colby's 343. Bochenek's performance marked the first time this season that a Bates rusher has carried for more than 100 yards.

Bates came into Saturday's game after a 44-7 trouncing by Trinity the previous weekend. The Bobcats rallied for an early 7-0 lead when Ed Travers '90 hit

Craig D'Ambrosia '92 for the score. Unfortunately, after that early hope, Trinity showed why they rank highly in New England and dominated the rest of the game.

This weekend, the Bobcats go on the road as they take on Bowdoin (1-4-1) in the 100th meeting of the CBB rivals. □

Field Hockey Turns It Around

by Andy Cerillo

Good things do come to those who wait. Just ask the Bates field hockey team. Before the Lady Bobcats played Babson College on October 7, they stood at a dismal 0-3-3. Since then, the team has won four games and only lost twice, both times at the hands of NCAA Division III powers. Bates defeated Babson by a score of 1-0 that day to begin the turn-around.

The following Saturday, the Lady Bobcats upset a Nichols College team sporting a strong 9-2-1 record. Bates dominated Nichols, outshooting the squad 30-12. However, the score at half-time rested at 1-1. Co-captains Lisa Ehrhardt '90, and Romalda Clark '90, teamed up to score for Bates with 4:35 remaining in the first period.

The game winner came on a penalty stroke at 27:44 into the second period, as the result of an illegal goalie save by Nichols goalie Jennifer Yitts. Kate Greener '90 scored on the shot for the final score of 2-1. Katie Albright '92 protected the net for the Bobcats, while Kristin McCarthy sat sidelined with a back injury.

Several days later, Bates faced an undefeated University of Southern Maine squad in a rain-swept game played in Portland. USM currently holds the number two ranking in Northeast Division III field hockey. Maine shutout the Bobcats, 0-3.

Strong Southern Maine defense limited Bates to just 6 shots inside the circle throughout the entire game. Katie Albright, '92 in her second full game this

season, stopped 11 shots on net. Ashley Hayes '90 scored twice for USM, which climbed to 10-0-2 with the win.

Back at home on Saturday 10/21, the Bobcats had their chance to dominate. Paced by freshman Kelly Frazier's hat-trick, Bates routed Gordon College, 4-0. Frazier's scoring spree began at just 2:57 into the game. Although the Bobcats outshot Gordon by a 9-4 margin, the score remained at 1-0 until the second period, when Bates took complete control.

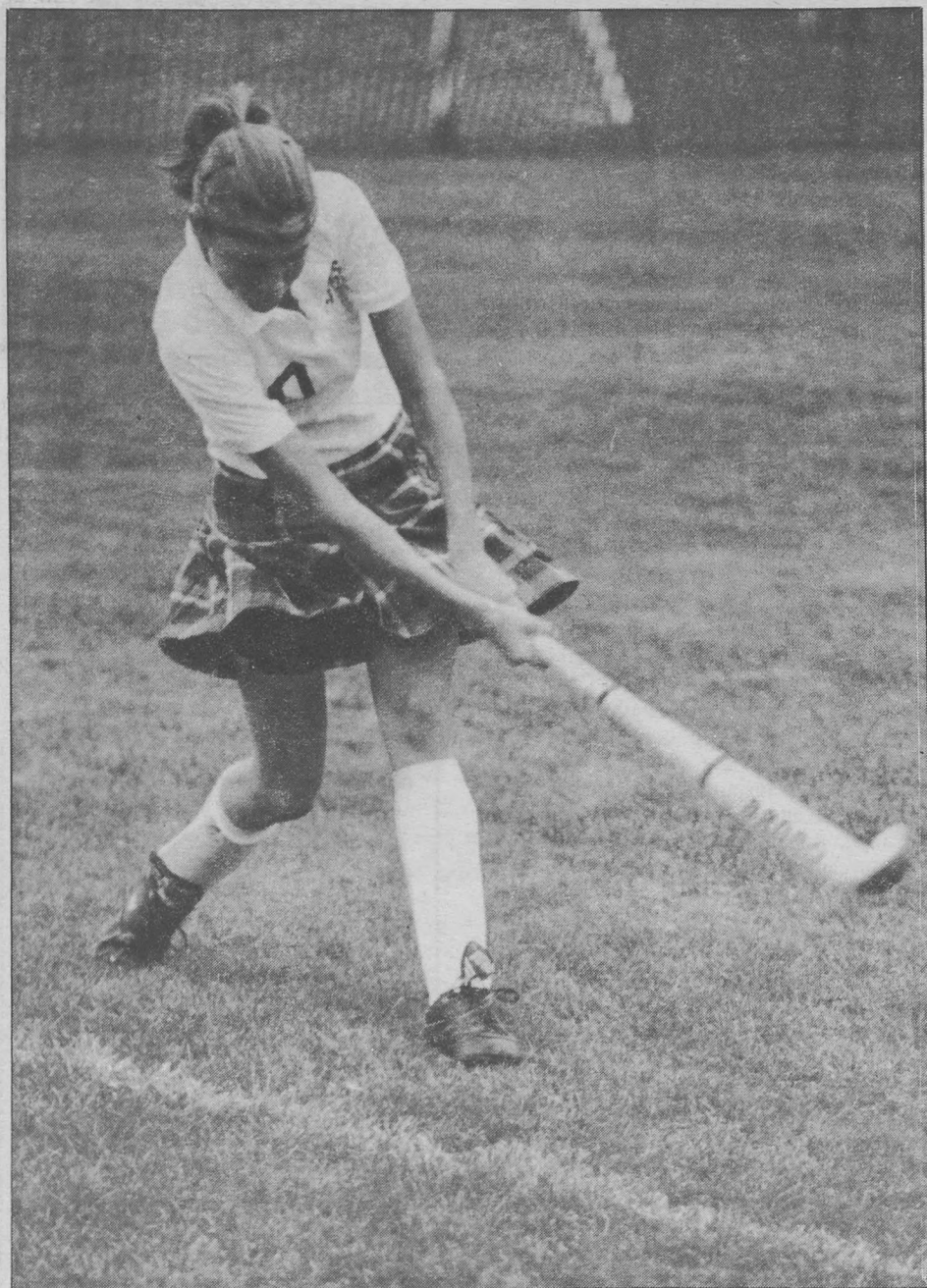
Lisa Ehrhardt '90 scored unassisted midway through the second period to give the Bobcats a 2-0 advantage. Several minutes later, Kelly Frazier appeared again netting another goal on a pass from Ehrhardt with 15:33 remaining.

Just three minutes later, Frazier added her third goal of the game, to round out the score at 4-0. Ehrhardt assisted on this play as well. Kristin McCarthy returned to net for Bates, recording her first shut-out of the season. Gordon fell to 7-6 with the loss. The two teams deadlocked last year, 2-2.

It was a long ride home from Worcester the other night, as undefeated Worcester Tech showed Bates why they're ranked number one in the northeast. The WPI squad, which now stands at 14-0-1, completely outplayed Bates.

Worcester's domination was helped by the Bobcats' inexperience playing on turf and under lights. WPI fired an incredible 59 shots on net. Bates managed to take a mere 4 shots during the game, three of which came in the second pe-

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Senior co-captain Romalda Clark finishes her field hockey career at Bates. Scott Pim photo.

Waterpolo Hosts New England Tournament

Bobcats Steal The Show

by Laura Sullivan

The Bates Waterpolo Club played host to the exciting New England Waterpolo Clubs Tournament this past weekend. Seven teams, including Bates, participated in the tournament where they faced very tough competition.

Bates entered the competition with the #6 seed. They faced Trinity, the #3 seed, in the opening round. After the 28 minutes of regulation the score remained tied at 10. The game then went to two 3-minute overtime periods. Bates defeated Trinity in overtime by a score of 15-13

to advance to the semifinals.

Again Bates played a close match, facing Wesleyan the #2 seed, but this time they could not pull it off. Bates came out strong, scoring the first two goals. However, the tides turned with Wesleyan coming back and extending their lead to 8-3.

Bates regained some momentum when Wesleyan's team captain was ejected from the game for arguing a call. They battled back to a score of 10-9, but they could never close the gap any further. This sent Bates to the consolation round which would decide whether they

would take third or fourth place.

Unfortunately, this match got a little out of hand for the Bates squad. The frustrations of the day resulted in four of the six starters leaving the game. Three of the players fouled out and the referee threw out the fourth. WPI defeated Bates who finished the tournament in fourth place.

The championship match featured Colby and Wesleyan, with Colby coming away victorious. This surprised no-one, as Colby had entered the tournament as the defending champions, with the #1 seed.

All in all, the Bates performance pleased the squad. Captain Andrew Tait '90 stated, "A testament to Bates' strong team was the fact that three Bates players made the first team all-tournament." Tait, Jay Tiballi '93 and Jon Dreibelbis '92 all received this honor. Senior John Lacey and sophomore Paul Cooper also received votes.

Tiballi had a particularly outstanding day with 12 goals, Tait finished close behind with 8. Tait also credited Dreibelbis with "consistent play throughout."



Men's rugby team has compiled a 2-3 record for the year. Their final home game is this Saturday. Scott Pim photo.

Field Hockey

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riod. When the dust cleared, the scoreboard read Worcester Tech 8, Bates 0.

The Bobcats returned home this past Wednesday, when they defeated U. Maine Farmington in overtime. Lisa Ehrhardt scored her seventh goal of the season, tying her total for last season. Her goal came at 15:12 into the first period with the aid of a deflection off of a UMF stick. Less than one minute later, Maine tied the game on a shot by Carvon Farley. The score remained deadlocked at one for the rest of regulation.

The Bobcats pulled out the win with just 7 seconds remaining in overtime, Suzie Hermann '93 scored on a pass from Lauren Kirkman '93. The 2-1 final lifted the Bobcats to 4-5-3, while UMF dropped to 2-8-2. □

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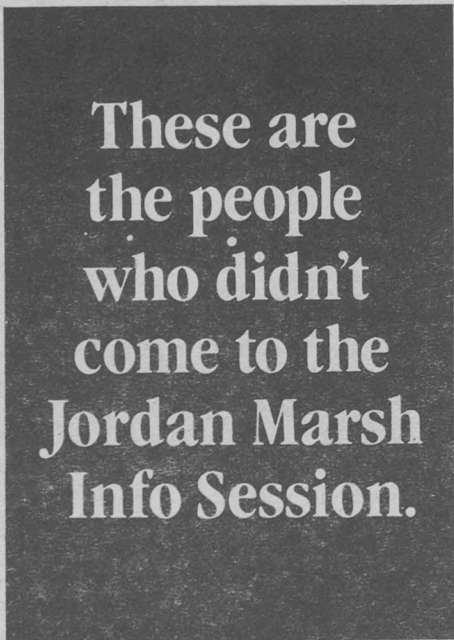
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Cliché

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of social causes that diverse groups of people glorify makes demonstrations and boycotts worthless. There are so many causes that we are told to support in the name of "social consciousness" that many of us don't much care to support any of them.

There is no distinction made concerning the relative importance of the causes. As a result, none of the causes seems important enough to put effort into.

Amusingly, the organizers of demonstrations often attribute the lack of participation to apathy. They fail to realize that most people simply do not find their particular cause very important, and find demonstrations ineffective.

The public is bombarded with so many "major" social causes, that the causes all become trivial. As with the "K's," the more that there are, the less importance and efficacy each one has.

For public demonstrations to once again work, they would have to lose the chicness that they have among those with strong emotional ties to a particular cause. However, since the self-serving self-righteousness of the sixties is rapidly becoming in vogue, political groups will, in all likelihood, not take the time to step back and rationally inspect the value of protests. Protests will therefore keep the same status of the "K's"—popular and weak. □

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Major

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issues in such courses as environmental chemistry.

Retelle says that "environmental science is not a fad. It cannot be." Kinsman agrees and says that "the most important thing is that we understand the Earth, understand what humans are doing to it, and educate ourselves well as scientists so that we can take action."

With growing ranks and a wide array of lectures, films, and benefit concerts, the study of environmental sciences at Bates seems to move towards saving our home. □

Waste

■ TUCKER, FROM PAGE 19

room why don't you suggest to those making the report that they ask the individuals involved to return the item?

Contrary to what seems to be your belief, my roommate and I didn't believe we were pulling the wool over anyone's eyes; we assumed that if taking the chair presented a problem, we would be asked by maintenance to return it. Why involve a secretary and mailroom personal to type and deliver such a letter wasting paper and an envelope in the process?

If I may, I'd like to return some non-threatening advice. When you next find yourself in a position that your most pressing obligation is to draft a letter to such delinquents as myself, leave campus immediately, go get your son, return to campus and spend some time playing with Noah in the Quad. Who could doubt that this would not be a better use of your time? □

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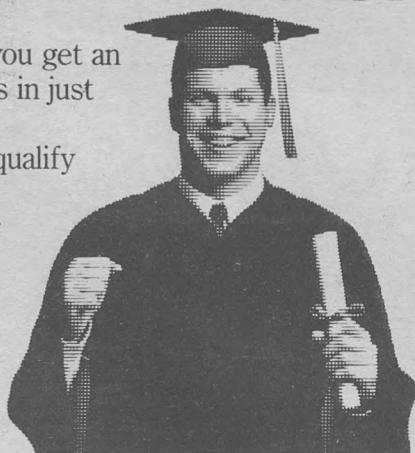
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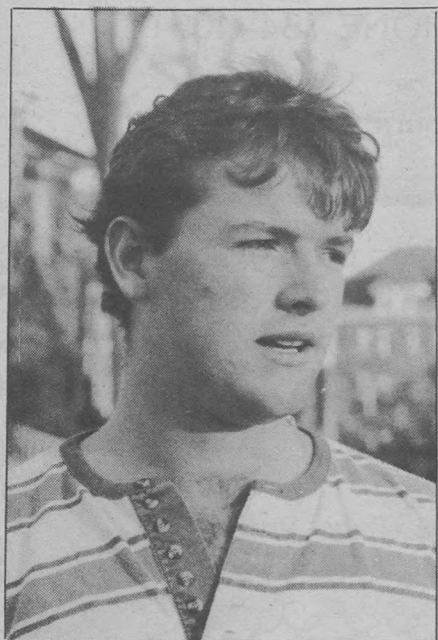
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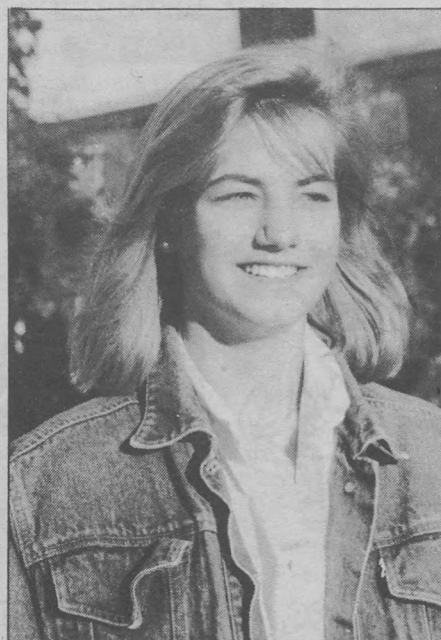
What was your reaction to the Secretaries of State Conference?

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Matt Langley '92 "I thought it was good that they came. I thought the protest was unnecessary even maybe a little bit embarrassing for the school. They should have protested Kissinger's policies, if they didn't like them, not the conference itself."



Julia Bossung '91 "People said that they learned more in one day than they learned in an entire semester of a Political Science class."



Peter Friedman '92 "It was interesting hearing all those figures we'd only seen on the news before. It puts Bates on the map."



Patricia McCracken '91 "I didn't want to have anything to do with all the conflict between the New World Coalition and the conservatives."

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